

Wholesale prices-current of feed-grains, salt, etc., in the undermentioned marts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1928.

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(1) Price of jnt four.

(2) Price of district four.

(3) weighted average price.

(n) Not reported.

(e) No transaction.

[illegible]

- Per two times

† Price per 20 lbs.

(m) British mild steel per cwt.

(a) Not reported.

(b) Not Available.

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Marts.	Mustard oil.			Firewood.			Coal (Bengal).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	22 0 0 to 22 8 0	22 8 0 to 23 0 0	21 12 0 to 22 8 0	0 10 0 to 0 12 0	0 10 0 to 0 12 0	0 8 0 to 0 10 0	0 7 0*	0 7 0*	0 8
Burdwan
Raniganj	0 3 0	0 3 0	0 4
Midnapore
Chittagong
Dacca
Pabna
Rangpur
Beraniganj (Pabna).
Barisalbari (Mymensingh).
Narayanganj (Dacca).

* Soft coke.

J. C. ROY, for *Director of Agriculture, Bengal.*

DACCA, the 24th April 1926.

Prices-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1926.

		Quantity per rupee in seers of eighty tolas.															
		Common rice.						Kala dal (<i>Phaseolus radiatus</i>).			Arhar dal or Thar Cadjan Pea (<i>Cajanus indicus</i>).			Salt.			
		Average.			Cheapest.												
Districts and marts.		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
Division.	Number.																
Presidency.	24-PARGANAS.																
	1	Obelia Hat ...	5 8	5 8	5 8	6 0	6 0	6 0	5 4	5 4	6 4	5 4	5 4	5 8	14 0	14 0	12 0†
	2	Magra Hat ...	5 13	5 13	6 1	6 2	6 2	6 10	(a)	(a)	(a)	5 0	4 13	6 0	15 0	16 0	16 0
	3	Calcutta-Bellaghat	4 2	4 2	5 3	5 2	5 2	6 4	5 15	5 15	5 15	5 5	5 8	5 8	10 8†	10 6†	8 0†
	NADIA.																
	4	Goari ...	5 3	5 6	5 12	5 5	5 3	5 13	4 0	4 0	5 0	4 3	4 3	5 4	15 0*	15 0*	15 0*
	5	Banaghat ...	5 0	5 0	5 4	6 0	6 0	6 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	13 0*	13 0*	13 0*
	MURSHIDABAD.																
	6	Berhampore ...	6 4	6 0	6 0	6 8	6 8	6 4	5 8	5 8	6 0	6 8	6 0	7 8	15 0*	15 0*	15 0*
	7	Kandi ...	6 8	6 8	6 14	6 10	6 12	7 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	7 0	15 0	15 0	14 8
8	Jangipur ...	6 0	6 0	7 0	6 4	6 4	7 4	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	6 8	14 0*	14 0*	13 0	
Burdwan.	JESORE.																
	9	Sadar ...	5 8	5 8	5 8	6 0	6 0	6 0	4 0	3 8	4 0	4 8	4 0	5 0	14 8†	15 0†	14 0
	10	Bongaon ...	5 6	5 0	5 5	6 2	5 11	6 2	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	5 4	16 0	16 0	16 0
	KHULNA.																
	11	Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 6	6 0	6 8	5 12	5 4	5 4	6 0	4 8	4 8	5 0	13 4	13 4	13 4
	12	Bagerhat ...	5 8	5 8	5 0	5 12	5 12	5 4	7 0	7 0	7 0	4 8	4 8	4 8	12 8	12 8	12 8
	BURDWAN.																
	13	Sadar ...	5 6	5 3	(n)	5 12	5 14	(n)	5 11	5 12	(n)	5 6	5 7	(n)	16 8*	15 8	16 0†
	14	Kalna ...	5 2	5 0	5 6	5 12	5 4	6 2	4 0	4 3	11	4 8	4 12	5 11	16 0†	16 0†	
	Rajshahi.	BIRBHUM.															
15		Suri ...	5 6	5 8	6 12	5 8	6 0	7 0	6 0	6 8	5	4 8	4 8	5 8	13 0*	13 0†	12 0
16		Rampur Hat ...	6 0	6 0	6 4	6 4	6 4	7 0	5 4	5 4	6 4	5 8	5 8	5 0	16 0†	16 0†	14 0†
BANKURA.																	
17		Sadar ...	6 0	6 0	7 0	6 8	6 4	7 8	4 0	7 0	4 0	5 0	5 0	6 0	13 8	15 0†	12 8
18		Vishnupur ...	5 8	5 4	7 0	6 0	5 10	7 8	5 8	5 0	7 4	5 0	4 8	6 8	13 0*	13 0†	13 0*
MIDNAPORE.																	
19		Sadar ...	6 3	6 4	6 4	6 8	6 10	6 0	6 8	7 0	8 0	4 8	5 0	5 8	13 0*	16 0	16 0
20		Cootai ...	5 12	5 12	6 8	6 0	6 0	7 0	4 8	4 0	5 8	5 0	4 8	5 8	13 4	13 4	10 0*
Rajshahi.		HOOGHLY.															
	21	Sadar ...	5 5	5 8	5 8	6 0	5 12	6 0	5 4	5 8	5 12	5 0	5 8	6 4	16 0	13 4	14 0†
	22	Arambagh ...	5 8	5 8	6 4	6 0	6 0	6 12	4 0	4 0	4 4	4 0	4 0	4 4	15 0*	13 8	13 4
	HOWRAH.																
	23	Sadar ...	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 12	6 8	5 4	5 8	6 0	5 4	5 8	6 8	16 0	16 0†	16 0
	24	Uluberia ...	5 8	5 0	6 8	6 4	6 4	7 0	4 12	4 12	5 12	5 0	5 0	6 0	16 0	16 0	16 0
	RAJSHAHI.																
	25	Rampur-Boalia ...	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 7	6 4	6 4	6 0	6 4	6 0	5 8	4 12	6 0	16 0	16 0	14 1
	26	Nator ...	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 10	5 10	5 10	4 14	4 14	6 0	4 14	4 14	6 0	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†
	27	Dinajpur—Railway Bazar Hat.	6 5	6 5	6 5	6 10	6 13	6 10	6 0	6 0	6 0	5 4	5 4	5 12	13 0†	13 0†	13 0
28	Jalpaiguri—Sadar...	6 0	6 0	5 4	6 8	6 8	6 0	5 0	5 0	5 8	5 4	5 4	5 12	13 0†	13 0†	12 8*	

* Karkach.

(a) Not available.

N.B.—The prices of karkach and Liverpool salt tally with each other in marts marked†.

Prices current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the first-half of April 1926.

Quantity per rupee in seers of eighty tolas.

Division.

Rajshahi—contd.

Dacca.

Chittagong.

Number.	Districts and marts.	Quantity per rupee in seers of eighty tolas.																	
		Common rice.									Kala dal (<i>Phaseolus radiatus</i>).			Arhar dal or Thur Odian Pea (<i>Cajanus indicus</i>).			Salt.		
		Average.			Cheapest.						Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.												
30	DANJELING.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.
	Sadar ...	4 12	4 8	(n)	5 12	6 0	5 12	4 8	4 0	4 8	4 0	4 0	4 0	3 8	3 8	3 0	3 0	3 0	3 0
	Biliguri ...	5 0	5 0	6 0	6 8	6 0	6 8	5 8	6 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 4	12 0	11 0	10 8	10 8	10 8	10 8
31	RANGPUR.																		
	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 5	6 0	6 0	5 4	6 12	6 12	7 3	4 12	4 12	5 2	8 0†	8 0†	8 0†	8 0†	8 0†	8 0†
	Nuphemari ...	6 0	6 0	5 4	(a)	6 0	(a)	4 0	4 0	4 8	4 0	4 0	4 8	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†
32	Bogra—Sadar ...	5 13	5 10	5 6	6 0	6 0	5 7	4 2	4 2	4 13	4 8	4 14	6 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
33	PANNA.																		
	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 8	6 8	6 8	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 0	4 12	5 0	16 0	16 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0
	Sirajganj ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	4 0	4 0	4 12	12 0	12 0	9 1†	9 1†	9 1†	9 1†
34	MALDA.																		
	Sadar ...	6 0	6 0	5 8	6 8	6 8	6 0	6 8	6 8	6 0	6 0	6 4	6 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0
	Balla—Nawabganj ...	6 8	6 4	6 5	6 12	(a)	6 9	6 0	7 0	6 8	6 4	6 4	6 8	16 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
35	DACCA.																		
	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 2	6 8	6 1	5 4	7 4	5 12	9 0	5 4	6 2	6 0	14 0	13 4	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†
	Mirkaidim ...	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 4	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	13 0	12 8	16 8	16 8	16 8	16 8
36	MYMENSINGH.																		
	Nasirabad ...	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 12	5 12	5 8	4 4	4 4	5 5	4 8	4 8	6 10	12 4	12 8	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0
	Netrakona ...	6 0	5 12	5 0	6 4	5 14	(a)	6 0	6 14	8 0	4 12	4 8	6 2	13 0	13 0	13 5	13 5	13 5	13 5
37	FARIDPUR.																		
	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 4	5 8	5 4	6 0	5 0	4 0	4 6	13 0†	13 0†	10 0†	10 0†	10 0†	10 0†
	Rajbari ...	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 8	5 8	5 12	6 0	6 0	8 0	5 0	4 0	6 0	14 0	14 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0
38	BAKARGANJ.																		
	Barisal ...	5 4	5 4	5 4	6 0	5 8	5 12	6 0	6 8	7 0	5 0	4 8	5 0	16 0†	15 0†	16 0†	16 0†	16 0†	16 0†
	Pirojpur ...	5 10	5 7	5 5	5 12	5 10	5 8	6 8	6 0	7 0	4 8	4 0	5 0	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†	12 0†
39	TIPPERA.																		
	Comilla ...	5 8	5 2	4 8	5 8	5 8	5 0	(a)	(a)	5 4	4 4	4 4	5 4	12 12	12 12	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0
	Chandpur ...	5 4	5 4	5 3	5 8	5 11	5 10	(a)	(a)	(a)	4 8	4 8	5 10	12 12†	13 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	16 0
40	NOAKHALI.																		
	Kalitara Hat ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 0	7 0	4 0	4 0	5 0	13 0	13 0	12 0	12 0	12 0	12 0
	Feni Hat ...	6 0	6 0	6 0	6 8	6 8	6 4	6 12	6 12	7 8	(a)	(a)	(a)	14 8	14 8	14 4	14 4	14 4	14 4
41	CHITTAGONG.																		
	Sadar ...	6 8	5 4	6 9	7 0	6 0	7 2	4 4	4 0	4 8	4 8	4 8	5 4	16 0	13 0	13 8	13 8	13 8	13 8
	Cox's Bazar ...	5 8	5 8	6 8	(a)	(a)	4 0	3 4	3 4	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	14 0	14 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0
42	Chittagong Hill Tracts—Rangamati.	5 8	6 0	6 0	(a)	(a)	(a)	3 8	3 8	4 0	3 8	3 8	4 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0

(a) Not available.

N. S.—The prices of Karkach and Liverpool salt tally with each other in marts marked †

(a) Not reported.

* Karkach.

Dacca, the 24th April 1926.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 21st April 1926.

Summary.—Light to moderate rain fell in several districts. Want of rain is retarding field operations for jute and paddy in parts of North and West Bengal. Weeding operation is in progress in the Eastern Bengal districts. The prospects of standing crops are reported to be fair. The average price of common rice for the province has remained almost stationary as compared with that of the previous week.

District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
		This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5
24-PARGANAS...	Inches. 0.80	5 $\frac{1}{13}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Effects of weather on crops are seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient.
Diamond Harbour.	0.53	5 $\frac{1}{16}$	(n)	
Barrackpore ...	0.04	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Baraset ...	0.05	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Basirhat ...	0.29	5 $\frac{5}{16}$	5 $\frac{1}{16}$	
2 NADIA ...	0.99	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{16}$	Weather seasonable. Ploughing continues. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Tehatta thana.
Kushtia ...	0.27	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Meherpur ...	1.75	5	5	
Chuadanga ...	1.42	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Ranaghat ...	1.77	5	5	
3 MURSHIDABAD	Nil	6	6	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Export of rice continues slowly in Kandi and Jangipur. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Domkal in Sadar and thana Mirzapur in Jangipur. Fodder and water are sufficient.
Lalbagh ...	Nil	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Jangipur ...	0.28	6	6	
Kandi ...	0.20	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	
4 JESSORE ...	0.98	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and paddy has commenced. Cattle-disease is reported.
Jhenidah ...	0.90	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Magura ...	1.10	5	5	
Narail ...	1.00	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Bongaon ...	0.54	5 $\frac{1}{16}$	5 $\frac{1}{16}$	
5 KHULNA ...	3.33	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Weather stormy.
Satkhira ...	6.62	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Bagerhat ...	1.90	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
6	BURDWAN ...	0.05	5½	5½	Weather hot and dry. Manuring of fields has commenced. Pressing of sugarcane is going on. Effects of weather on crops are, fair. Rice market is stationary. Stock of rice is sufficient. Export and import are as usual. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Asansol ...	(n)	6	6	
	Katwa ...	1.67	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	0.90	5½	5½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	0.20	6	6	Common rice sells at 6½ seers at Labpur and 6½ seers per rupee at Dubrajpur. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Sadar and Nalhati circles.
	Rampurhat ...	Nil	6	6	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	6	6	Weather hot. Prospects of crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Gangajalghati. Fodder and water sufficient.
	Vishnupur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
9	MIDNAPORE ...	Nil	6½	6½	Preparation of lands is progressing. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Contai ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	Nil	6	5½	
	Ghatal ...	Nil	6½	6	
	Jhargram ...	Nil	6	(n)	
10	HOOGHLY ...	1.09	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Rain is needed. Fodder is sufficient.
	Serampore ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Arambagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	0.41	5½	5½	Lands are being prepared for jute cultivation.
	Uluberia ...	0.60	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHAHI (RAMPUR-BOALIA). Naogaon ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowing of autumn paddy and jute is still going on, but owing to want of rain it is not progressing. Rice is being exported from Rajshahi to Natore. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Natore police-station.
	Naogaon ...	Nil	6	6	
	Nator ...	Nil	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	Nil	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Fodder and water are insufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from police-stations Damoirhat, Balurghat, Gangarampur and Porsha in Balurghat subdivision.
	Thakurgaon ...	0.42	7	7	
	Balurghat ...	Nil	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI ...	0.18	5	5	Condition and prospects of crops are fair.
	Alipur ...	0.18	5½	5½	
15	DARJEELING ...	0.17	4½	4½	Maize and potatoes are growing. Wheat and barley are being harvested and sugarcane is being sown. Lands are being prepared for autumn crops. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Kurseong ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Siliguri ...	0.10	5	(n)	
	Kalimpong ...	0.11	5	(n)	

(n) Not reported.

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			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
16	RANGPUR ...	0·36	6	6	Weather seasonable. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Gaibandha and Gobindaganj.
	Nilphamari ...	0·11	5½	5½	
	Kurigram ...	0·28	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha ...	Nil	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	Nil	6	6	Want of rain is retarding sowing of jute and paddy.
18	PABNA ...	0·34	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Chatmohar police-station.
	Sirajganj ...	Nil	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Ploughing of lands for jute and paddy is going on. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Nawabganj thana.
20	COOCH BEHAR	0·11	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Weeding of <i>bitri</i> paddy and jute has commenced. Cutting of tobacco is nearing completion. Cattle-disease exists in the interior. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	1·02	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute and paddy are continuing. Prospects of the standing crops are good. The recent hailstorm has damaged jute and paddy to some extent in Sadar and Munshiganj subdivisions. Cattle-disease is reported from Munshiganj subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient. Rice market is almost steady.
	Manikganj ...	0·23	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj ...	2·10	5½	(n)	
	Munshiganj (a)	Nil	5½	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	0·08	5½	5½	Weather cloudy and stormy. Sowings of jute and paddy are in progress. Prospects of the standing crops are normal. Rice market is steady. Fodder and water are available.
	Jamalpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	0·13	5½	(n)	
	Netrakona ...	0·91	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj ...	1·04	5½	5½	

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

(n) Not reported.

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			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	0.15	5½	5½	Ploughing of lands and sowing of jute and paddy continue. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease has not yet subsided in Sadar, Rajbari and Madaripur.
	Goalundo (Rajbari).	1.61	5	5	
	Madaripur ...	7.15	5½	5½	
	Gopalganj (a) ...	7.15	5½	5½	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	1.35	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Prospects of the standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Kotwali, Gaurnadi, Wazirpur, Jhalakati in Sadar subdivision and from thanas Banoripara, Kaukhali and Nazirpur in Pirojpur subdivision.
	Pirojpur ...	3.05	5½	5½	
	Patuakhali ...	3.02	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	1.30	5½	5½	
25	CHITTAGONG ...	1.45	{ 6½ 6*	6½ 6*	Harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops is in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 14 seers per rupee at Sadar and 13 seers at Cox's Bazar. Cattle-disease is reported from Chakaria, Kutubdia, Cox's Bazar and Mahishkhali.
	Cox's Bazar ...	2.04	5½	5½	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	2.44	5	5	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from all subdivisions.
	Brahmanbaria	0.12	4½	4½	
	Chandpur ...	2.11	5½	5½	
27	NOAKHALI ...	3.18	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowing of autumn paddy has been a little hampered by last heavy rain falls and the <i>rabi</i> crops have been damaged to some extent. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Feni ...	(n)	(n)	5½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	4.54	6	5½	Weather seasonable.
29	TRIPURA STATE	1.25	5	5	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and other autumn crops is proceeding. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> crops is finished. Cattle-disease exists in Khowai and Uddipur. Condition of standing crops is fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cleansed cotton sells at Rs. 30 to Rs. 40, and jute at Rs. 18 to Rs. 24 per maund.

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DACCA, the 24th April 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur Boalia for the week ending the 17th April 1926.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero of gauge.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum on the same date last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
11th April	7 A.M.	35.80	35.80	35.90	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. B. M. on Rajshahi College step 64.73. Value of zero of gauge = -0.00 P. W. D.
12th "	7 "	35.80	35.80	35.85	
13th "	7 "	35.85	35.85	35.90	
14th "	7 "	35.85	35.85	35.85	
15th "	7 "	35.85	35.85	35.80	
16th "	7 "	35.90	35.90	35.80	
17th "	7 "	35.85	35.85	36.05	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year's	Highest water-level	... on 18th August 1924	... 61.85
Do.	"	... on 16th September 1925	... 61.45
Do.	Lowest	... on 16th April 1925	... 35.80
Record	Highest	... 69.25 on 26th August 1879	... 64.44
Do.	"	... 69.08 on 9th September 1885	... 64.27
Do.	"	... 68.80 on 25th August 1906	... 63.47
Do.	"	... 68.21 on 26th August 1890	... 63.40
Do.	Lowest	... 37.68 on 25th April 1884	... 32.82
Do.	"	... 38.18 on 14th and 16th April 1883	... 33.82
Do.	"	... 39.02 on 21st and 22nd April 1897	... 34.21
Do.	"	... 39.28 on 6th and 7th May 1908	... 34.47
Do.	"	... on 9th May 1922	... 34.70

N.B.—The gauge-readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

J. F. RUSSELL, *Subdivisional Officer,*
I. D., *Rajshahi.*

RAMPUR BOALIA, the 17th April 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending the 17th April 1926.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date of last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
11th April	7 A.M.	8.2	8.2	9.9	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench-mark for this gauge is marked on a pucca base between passenger ghat and Chandpur ghat at Goalundo.
12th "	7 "	9.0	9.0	10.3	
13th "	7 "	9.3	9.3	10.6	
14th "	7 "	9.4	9.4	10.6	
15th "	7 "	9.3	9.3	10.2	
16th "	7 "	9.3	9.3	9.6	
17th "	7 "	9.2	9.2	9.3	

The gauge-readings commenced from 3rd October 1904.

Highest recorded flood	...	...	26.7 on 23rd and 24th August 1924.
Previous highest recorded flood	...	...	25.75 on 28th August 1906 and 25.66 on 11th to 17th and 31st August 1889 and 1st to 3rd September 1888.
Lowest recorded water-level	...	...	5.8 on 17th February 1924.
Previous recorded low water-level	...	...	1.0 on 8th February 1914.

C. H. DE, for *Subdivisional Officer,*
P. W. D., *Faridpur.*

FARIDPUR, the 19th April 1926.

Statement showing the gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works on the river Bariganga for the week ending the 10th April 1926.

Date.	At highest water.		At lowest water.		Commencement of—		Remarks.	
	Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.	Ebb tide.	Flood tide.		
1926.							7 A.M.	5 P.M.
4th April ...	17-0	5·8	10-45	4·2	17-12	10-57	4·8	5·8
5th „ ...	17-45	5·5	11-30	3·95	18-0	11-45	4·6	5·3
6th „ ...	6-5	4·9	12-15	3·4	6-15	12-18	4·65	4·2
7th „ ...	6-50	4·8	13-0	3·3	7-0	13-15	4·8	3·8
8th „ ...	7-40	4·5	13-45	3·0	7-48	14-0	4·35	3·5
9th „ ...	8-30	4·8	14-30	3·25	8-45	14-45	4·45	3·8
10th „ ...	9-30	5·35	15-30	3·75	9-45	15-45	4·55	4·05

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

High.			Low.		
27th August	1906	... 70·5	23rd February	1907	... 51·06
5th September	1909	... 66·86	18th „	1908	... 51·06
10th August	1910	... 69·86	12th March	1912	... 51·06
1st „	1911	... 68·46	6th „	1914	... 50·60
18th „	1912	... 67·16	22nd February	1916	... 50·80
31st „	1915	... 69·7	15th „	1916	... 50·60
8th „	1916	... 68·1	3rd March	1917	... 51·0
12th „	1917	... 67·1	21st February	1918	... 51·40
18th „	1918	... 69·12	26th „	1919	... 50·4
2nd „	1919	... 66·8	18th „	1920	... 50·9
8th September	1920	... 66·9	19th „	1921	... 50·9
28th July	1921	... 68·4	8th March	1922	... 51·05
10th August	1922	... 68·00	14th „	1923	... 50·8
31st July	1923	... 66·15	16th February	1924	... 50·50
29th August	1924	... 68·62			

N.B.—Zero of the gauge at Dacca water-works = -48·61 with reference to P. W. D. datum.

S. C. MAZUMDAR, *Executive Engineer,*
Khulna Division.

CALCUTTA, the 17th April 1926.

Official statistics of towns with a population of 10,000 and over of the Bengal Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 10th April 1926.

District.	No.	Towns.	Population under registration according to census of 1921.			Births registered.		Deaths registered.																Total of all causes.				Total of corresponding week of the previous year.				
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Number registered (excluding still-births).	Still-born number registered.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Plague.	Malaria.	Enteric fever.	Measles.	Hepatitis (fever).	Kala Azar.	Other fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhoea.	Indigestion.	Pneumonia.	Poliomyelitis.	Other respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicide.	Deaths from child-births.	Other causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
Calcutta	1	Calcutta	794,246	343,016	1,077,264	365	37	63	35	...	13	20	19	...	...	8	42	44	26	6	73	54	69	42	2	192	421	376	699	509	334	867
Burdwan	2	Amraol Mining Settlement.	156,816	122,836	279,652	132	...	25	10	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	8	4	...	...	7	...	5	...	1	59	64	52	115	31	29	61
Howrah	3	Howrah	129,472	64,529	194,001	94	6	14	17	...	6	...	...	...	...	2	33	6	5	...	4	1	17	3	...	36	70	63	123	115	100	215
Dacca	4	Dacca	67,323	29,117	96,440	60	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	13	6	...	...	4	...	...	4	1	25	27	31	58	20	13	43	
24 Parganas	5	Shantipur	46,723	19,604	66,327	22	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	8	21	9	20	26	7	33
	6	Titagarh	24,523	10,916	35,439	18	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	12	13	25	9	9	18

R. B. KHAMBATA, M.R.C.S., D.P.H., Director of Public Health, Bengal (offg.).

CALCUTTA, the 19th April 1926.

CALCUTTA IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

Notice under section 63 (2) of Bengal Act V of 1911.

Plan of Proposed Public Street No. VI (Maniktala) (from Narkeldanga Main Road to Proposed Alignment No. IX, Maniktala).

NOTICE is hereby given under section 63 (2) of Bengal Act V of 1911, as amended by Bengal Act III of 1915, that the Board of Trustees for the Improvement of Calcutta has prepared a plan of a Proposed Public Street in Ward No. XXIX of the Calcutta Municipality known as Maniktala Alignment No. VI (from Narkeldanga Main Road to Alignment No. IX).

The plan provides for the construction of (1) a 160 feet wide road running northwards from Narkeldanga Main Road to premises No. 63, Narkeldanga Main Road, (2) a 100 feet wide road running northwards across Narkeldanga North Road to Maniktala Main Road, thence across Maniktala Main Road to Muraripukur Road; thence across Muraripukur Road to Harish Neogy Road; and thence across Harish Neogy Road to premises No. 131, Ultadingi Main Road, where it meets with Alignment No. IV, and (3) a 60 feet wide road running northwards across Ultadingi Main Road and Ariff Road along Jahar Lall Dutt Lane to premises No. 1, Jahar Lall Dutt Lane, to its junction with the proposed Alignment No. IX (Maniktala).

The Proposed Public Street will pass through the following municipal holdings:—

Narkeldanga Main Road.—Nos. 142, 143, 144, 143-1, 143-2, 143-3, 143-9.

Sastitala Road.—Nos. 54-1, 54-2, 55, 55-1, 55-2, 55-3, 55-4, 55-5, 55-6, 55-7, 55-8, 55-9, 55-A, 55-A-1, 55-A-2, 55-A-3, 55-A-4, 55-A-5, 55-A-6, 55-A-7, 55-A-8, 55-A-10, 56.

Narkeldanga North Road.—Nos. 24, 24-4, 24-5, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 31-1, 32-A, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 59, 60, 61, 61-1, 61-5, 62, 62-7, 63, 63-14, 63-15, 63-17, 63-16, 64, 64-1, 64-2, 64-5, 64-9, 64-10, 64-11, 64-22, 64-23, 65, 65-1, 65-5, 66, 67, 64-2-3.

Pattopara Lane.—Nos. 1 and 3.

Maniktala Main Road.—Nos. 8, 8-18, 8-17, 8-19, 8-20, 8-23, 8-24, 8-25-1, 8-26, 8-27, 8-28, 8-29, 8-55, 8-56, 8-56-1, 8-57-1, 8-57-2, 8-57-3, 8-67, 8-77, 8-78, 8-78-1, 8-82, 135, 135-A, 135-B, 135-B-1, 135-B-3.

Bagmari Road.—Nos. 133, 133-3-5-1, 133-4, 133-5, 133-6, 133-7, 133-8, 133-9, 133-14, 133-15.

Muraripukur Road.—Nos. 1, 1-71, 1-72, 1-73, 1-74, 1-75, 1-76, 1-77, 1-78, 1-79, 1-79-1, 1-80, 1-83, 1-84, 1-87-1, 1-95, 1-95-1, 1-95-2, 1-95-4-2, 1-96, 1-97, 1-98, 1-99, 1-100, 2, 14, 19, 20, 21, 44, 45, 45-1, 45-2-2, 45-6-1, 45-7, 45-8-1, 45-9, 46, 46-1.

Muraripukur Lane.—Nos. 10, 11, 12-1.

Harish Neogy Road.—Nos. 7, 7-A, 8, 8-1, 10, 10-4, 10-4-1, 11, 26, 27, 28, 28-1, 29, 29-1, 30, 30-A, 30-B, 30-1, 30-3, 30-4, 30-5, 30-6, 30-7, 30-8, 30-9, 33, 36.

Ultadingi Main Road.—Nos. 14, 15, 16-A, 16-B, 17, 17-14, 17-15, 17-16, 17-17, 17-18, 131, 131-1, 131-2, 131-3, 131-4, 131-6, 131-6-1, 131-8, 132, 133, 133-A, 133-A-A, 134, 134-1, 134-1-1.

Ariff Road.—Nos. 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.

Jahar Lall Dutt Lane.—Nos. 1, 12-4, 12-5, 12-6, 12-7, 12-8.

The plan of the Proposed Public Street and the particulars of the land through which the Proposed Public Street will pass may be inspected at the offices of the Trust, No. 5, Clive Street, on week days between the hours of 11 A.M. and 4 P.M., Saturdays 11 A.M. and 2 P.M.

Copies of this notice may be obtained on payment of a fee of 2 annas per copy and of the plan at 8 annas per sheet.

Objections to the said plan may be submitted on or before the 30th June 1926.

S. W. GOODE, *Chairman (offg.).*

CALCUTTA, the 30th March 1926.

CALCUTTA IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

Notice under section 63 (2) of Bengal Act V of 1911 as amended by Bengal Act III of 1918.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees for the Improvement of Calcutta has applied to the Local Government for sanction to the plan of the proposed public Street No. I (Maniktala) (Belliaghata Main Road Widening), which was originally published in the issue of the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 11th December 1924.

S. W. GOODE, (Chairman (offg.).

5, OLIVE STREET, the 8th April 1926.

Form C.—BENGAL.

[Section 5 (2) of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925.]

Statement of cotton pressed in the Bengal Presidency for the week ending
16th April 1926.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Name of Division or Block.	Number of bales pressed.		Number of bales pressed.		District included in the block.
	During the week.	During the corresponding week last year.	Since 1st September 1925 (the date prescribed by the Local Government as the commencement of the season).	During the corresponding period last year.	
The Bengal Presidency ...	1,561	No information.	21,759	No information.	All districts in the Presidency.

R. P. ADAMS,

Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.



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CORPORATION OF CALCUTTA.

NOTICE.

THE following additional rule 15 made by the Corporation under section 289 of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1923, for the guidance of licensed plumbers, is published for information in compliance with the provisions of section 486 of the said Act:—

“Every licensed plumber shall be bound to notify to the Chief Engineer every change of address of his place of business within a fortnight from the date of such a change.”

J. C. MUKERJEA, Acting Chief Executive Officer.

CENTRAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE, the 20th April 1926.

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT, BENGAL.

Irrigation operations for the official year 1925-26.

Area leased for irrigation up to end of March 1926.

Circ.	District.	Canal.	Estimated full discharge.	Average discharge in month.	Discharge utilized.	Approximate area of land irrigated during the year up to the end of the month.	Approximate area of land under irrigation up to the same date last year.	Details of areas leased.						Rainfall, 1925-26.		Rainfall, 1924-25.		
								Long-term leases.	Season leases.				Grand total.	During month.	Up to end of month.	Inches.	Inches.	
									A.M.V.	Rabi.	Rugose.	Hot weather.						Total.
			C. ft.	C. ft.	C. ft.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Up to end of month.	Up to end of month.	
S.W. Orissa.	Midnapore ...	Midnapore ...	1,411	139	...	70,857	66,791	68,978	2,083	...	...	2,083	71,061	738	1-37	50-58	...	...
		Panchkura ...	522	...	...	5,812	5,898	5,836	75	...	...	75	5,911	6-77	1-28	53-67	...	...
		Tidal Reaches, Ranges I and II	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7-31	63-53	41-48	...
	Howrah ...	Total Midnapore Canal	...	...	...	76,669	72,689	74,814	2,158	...	...	2,158	76,972	...	...	...	...	...
		Total of the corresponding period last year.	...	...	...	...	...	70,819	2,662	...	...	...	2,662	73,481	...	...	...	...
Burdwan and Hooghly.	Eden Canal	...	1,000	113	...	23,886	21,010	21,685	883 ^a	341	88	1,312	22,997	3-32	1-10	51-26	...	...
	Total of the corresponding period last year.	...	...	...	...	...	...	19,461	457	611	34	1,102	20,563	...	...	...	...	...
	GRAND TOTAL	...	...	...	...	1,00,505	93,699	96,499	3,041	341	88	3,470	99,969	...	...	...	...	...
		GRAND TOTAL OF THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD OF LAST YEAR.	...	...	...	...	...	90,280	3,119	611	34	3,764	94,044	...	...	...	...	...

^a Of which 483 acres are "one flushing."T. C. BHATTACHARYA,
Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

CALCUTTA, the 1st May 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur Boalia for the week ending the 24th April 1926.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero of gauge.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum on the same date last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
18th April	... 7 A.M.	35.85	35.85	36.00	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. B. M. on Rajshahi College step 64.73. Value of zero of gauge = -0.00 P. W. D.
19th "	... 7 "	35.90	35.90	35.95	
20th "	... 7 "	35.90	35.90	35.90	
21st "	... 7 "	35.90	35.90	35.90	
22nd "	... 7 "	35.85	35.85	35.90	
23rd "	... 7 "	35.85	35.85	36.00	
24th "	... 7 "	35.80	35.80	36.25	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year's	Highest water-level	... on 18th August 1924	... 61.85
Do.	Do.	... on 16th September 1925	... 61.45
Do.	Lowest	... on 15th April 1925	... 55.80
Record	Highest	... 69.25 on 26th August 1879	... 64.44
Do.	Do.	... 69.08 on 9th September 1886	... 64.27
Do.	Do.	... 68.80 on 26th August 1906	... 63.47
Do.	Do.	... 68.21 on 26th August 1890	... 63.40
Do.	Lowest	... 57.63 on 25th April 1884	... 52.82
Do.	Do.	... 58.13 on 14th and 16th April 1883	... 53.32
Do.	Do.	... 59.02 on 21st and 22nd April 1897	... 54.21
Do.	Do.	... 59.28 on 6th and 7th May 1908	... 54.47
Do.	Do.	... on 9th May 1922	... 54.70

N.B.—The gauge-readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

J. F. RUSSELL, *Subdivisional Officer,*
I. D., *Rajshahi.*

RAMPUR BOALIA, the 24th April 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending the 24th April 1926.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date of last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
18th April	... 7 A.M.	9.0	9.0	9.1	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench-mark for this gauge is marked on a pucca base between passenger ghat and Chandpur ghat at Goalundo.
19th "	... 7 "	8.9	8.9	9.0	
20th "	... 7 "	8.8	8.8	9.1	
21st "	... 7 "	8.7	8.7	9.2	
22nd "	... 7 "	8.7	8.7	9.6	
23rd "	... 7 "	8.8	8.8	10.0	
24th "	... 7 "	9.0	9.0	10.4	

The gauge-readings commenced from 1st October 1904.

Highest recorded flood	...	... 26.7 on 23rd and 24th August 1924.
Previous highest recorded flood	...	... 25.75 on 28th August 1906 and 25.66 on 11th to 17th and 31st August 1889 and 1st to 3rd September 1888.
Lowest recorded water-level	...	... 5.8 on 17th February 1924.
Previous recorded low water-level	...	... 1.0 on 8th February 1914.

C. H. DE, for *Subdivisional Officer,*
P. W. D., *Faridpur.*

FARIDPUR, the 26th April 1926.

Statement showing the gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works on the river Bariganga for the week ending the 17th April 1926.

Date.	At highest water.		At lowest water.		Commencement of—		Remarks.	
	Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.	Ebb tide.	Flow tide.		
1926.							7 A.M.	5 P.M.
11th April ...	10-30	6.6	16-25	4.85	10-45	18-37	5.55	4.95
12th " ...	11-15	7.5	17-30	5.7	11-25	17-37	6.4	5.85
13th " ...	12-5	7.8	18-20	6.0	12-15	18-30	6.15	6.4
14th " ...	12-50	8.0	6-30	6.1	12-55	6-40	6.2	6.7
15th " ...	13-35	7.9	7-20	6.05	13-47	7-30	6.15	6.65
16th " ...	14-10	7.7	8-0	5.9	14-25	8-15	6.2	6.6
17th " ...	15-0	7.4	8-45	5.7	15-15	9-0	5.3	6.8

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

High.			Low.		
27th August	1906	... 70.5	23rd February	1907	... 51.05
5th September	1909	... 66.86	18th "	1908	... 51.06
10th August	1910	... 68.86	12th March	1912	... 51.06
1st "	1911	... 68.46	6th "	1914	... 50.60
18th "	1912	... 67.16	22nd February	1916	... 50.80
31st "	1915	... 68.7	15th "	1916	... 50.60
8th "	1916	... 68.1	3rd March	1917	... 51.0
12th "	1917	... 67.1	21st February	1918	... 51.40
18th "	1918	... 69.12	26th "	1919	... 50.4
2nd "	1919	... 66.8	18th "	1920	... 50.9
8th September	1920	... 66.9	19th "	1921	... 50.9
28th July	1921	... 68.4	8th March	1922	... 51.05
10th August	1922	... 68.00	14th "	1923	... 50.8
31st July	1923	... 66.15	16th February	1924	... 50.60
29th August	1924	... 68.82			

N.B.—Zero of the gauge at Dacca water-works = -48.51 with reference to P. W. D. datum.

S. C. MAZUMDAR, *Executive Engineer,*
Khulna Division.

CALCUTTA, the 24th April 1926.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 28th April 1926.

Summary.—Excepting light showers in East Bengal there was practically no rain in the rest of the province. Rain is needed specially in North and West Bengal for jute and paddy. Sowings of jute are well advanced in Eastern Bengal and weeding is progressing. The outlook of the standing crops is reported to be favourable. The average price of common rice for the Presidency has risen by about 45 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Dist. No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
1	24-PARGANAS...	Nil	5½	5½	Effects of weather on crops are reasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease exists in thana Sandeshkhali in the basirhat subdivision.
	Diamond Harbour.	0·11	5½	5½	
	Barrackpore ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Baraset ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather reasonable. Sowing commenced in places. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Gangani in Meherpur subdivision.
	Kushtia ...	Nil	5	5	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	5	5	
	Chudanga ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Ranaghat ...	0·49	5	5	
3	MURSHIDABAD	Nil	6	6	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Recent rainfall was good for autumn crops. Export of rice continues slowly in Jangipur and Kandi. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Mirzapur in Jangipur, and from thana Nubagram in Lalbagh subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Lalbagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	Nil	6	6	
	Kandi ...	Nil	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather reasonable. Sowing of jute and paddy is going on. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Sripur in Magura subdivision and Lohagara in the Narail subdivision.
	Jhenidah ...	0·04	5½	5½	
	Magura ...	0·45	5	5	
	Narail ...	0·55	5	5½	
	Bongaon ...	0·87	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	0·35	5½	5½	Weather reasonable. Cultivation of jute and autumn paddy is going on.
	Satkhira ...	6·29	5½	5½	
	Bagerhat ...	Nil	5½	5½	

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
6	BURDWAN ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather hot and dry. Transplantation of sugarcane has begun. Ploughing and manuring of fields continuing. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Asansol ...	Nil	6	6	
	Katwa ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	Nil	5½	5½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	Nil	6½	6	Common rice sells at 6½ seers per rupee at Labpur and 6½ seers at Dubrajpur. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Nalhati and Labpur circles.
	Rampurhat ...	Nil	6	6	
8	BANKURA ...	Nil	6	6	Weather hot. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Water is sufficient, but fodder is dear.
	Visnupur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
9	MIDNAPORE ...	Nil	6½	6½	Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient.
	Contai ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	1.15	6	6	
	Ghatal ...	Nil	5½	6½	
	Jhargram ...	Nil	6	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	1.09	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Fodder is sufficient.
	Serampore ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Arambagh ...	0.21	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	5½	5½	Ploughing of lands for jute is proceeding.
	Uluberia ...	Nil	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHAHI ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Ploughing for jute and autumn paddy and sowings of the same are still being carried on, but little progress has been made for want of rainfall. Rice is being exported from Rajshahi to Natore. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from almost all the police-stations in Natore subdivision.
	(RAMPUR-BOALIA). Naogaon ...	Nil	6½	6	
	Natore ...	Nil	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	Nil	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from police-stations Damoirhat and Gangarampur in Balurghat subdivision and from Thakurgaon thana.
	Thakurgaon ...	Nil	7	6	
	Balurghat ...	Nil	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI ...	Nil	5	5	Condition and prospects of crops are fair.
	Alipur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
15	DARJEELING ...	Nil	4½	4½	Maize and potatoes are growing. Harvesting of wheat and barley continues. Sowing of sugarcane is going on and that of <i>bhadai</i> crops has commenced. Cattle-disease exists in places. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Kurseong ...	Nil	5	5½	
	Siliguri ...	Nil	5	5	
	Kalimpong ...	Nil	5	5	

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
16	RANGPUR ...	Nil	5½	6	Weather seasonable. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Korigram ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha ...	Nil	5½	5½	
17	ROGRA ...	Nil	6	6	Want of rain is retarding sowing of jute and paddy.
18	PABNA ...	0·21	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Chatmohar.
	Sirajganj ...	0·13	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	Nil	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Ploughing of lands for jute and paddy is going on. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	Nil	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of <i>bitri</i> paddy and jute are continuing and weeding operation is in progress. Cattle-disease exists in the interior. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	1·15	5½	5½	Weather seasonable and hot. Sowing of jute and paddy is going on and weeding of jute has commenced. Prospects of jute appear to be good. Rice market is almost stationary. Cattle-disease reported from Munshiganj subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Manikganj ...	0·39	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj ...	0·63	5½	5½	
	Munshiganj (a)	2·62	5½	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	2·12	5½	5½	Weather hot and stormy. Sowings of jute and autumn paddy are almost finished and weeding has commenced. Prospects of the standing crops are normal. Fodder and water are available. Rice market is steady.
	Jamalpur ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	0·17	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	0·84	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj ...	0·23	5½	5½	

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	1.50	5½	5½	Sowings of jute and paddy still continue. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease has not yet subsided completely in Sadar and Madaripur and Gopalganj subdivisions.
	Goalundo (Rajbari).	0.35	5	5	
	Madaripur ...	0.35	5½	5½	
	Gopalganj (a) ...	2.76	5½	5½	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	1.16	5	5½	Weather seasonable. Prospects of the standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Nalchiti and Muladi in Sadar.
	Pirojpur ...	0.42	5½	5½	
	Patuakhali ...	0.02	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shabazpur (Bhola).	0.13	5½	5½	
25	CHITTAGONG ...	Nil	{ 6½ 6*	6½ 6*	Harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops is in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 14 seers per rupee at Sadar and 13 seers at Cox's Bazar. Cattle-disease is reported from Chakaria, Cox's Bazar and Mahishkhal.
	Cox's Bazar ...	Nil	5½	5½	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	3.29	5	5	Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from the Brahmanbaria subdivision.
	Brahmanbaria	1.43	4½	4½	
	Chandpur ...	3.56	5½	5½	
27	NOAKHALI ...	0.46	5	5½	Weather seasonable. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Feni ...	0.95	5½	(n)	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	Nil	6	6	Weather seasonable.
29	TRIPURA STATE	1.44	5	5	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute, <i>jhoom</i> and autumn crops are proceeding. Cattle-disease exists in Khowai, Sonamura and Udaipur. Condition of standing crops is fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cleansed cotton sells at Rs. 10 to Rs. 40 per maund.

* Burma rice.

(n) Not reported.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DAOCA, No 1st May 1926.

Vital statistics of Towns with a population of 50,000 and over of the Bengal Presidency for the week ending Saturday the 17th April 1926.

District.	No.	Towns.	Population under registration according to census of 1921.			Births registered.		Deaths registered.														Total of all causes.				Total of correct reporting week of the previous year.						
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Number registered (excluding still-births).	Still-born number registered.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Plague.	Malaria.	Enteric fever.	Measles.	Relapsing fever.	Kalazar.	Other fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhoea.	Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Phthisis.	Other respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicide.	Deaths from child-birth.	Other causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
Calcutta	1	Calcutta	734,343	350,016	1,077,354	253	34	46	20	...	28	16	11	...	12	41	13	15	9	90	46	66	13	1	245	328	207	635	461	260	780	
Bardwan	3	Amawal Mining Settlement.	176,314	152,439	328,353	143	...	26	7	...	...	...	...	4	...	9	1	...	...	9	...	8	4	1	26	53	59	111	61	27	119
Howrah	3	Howrah	128,472	64,039	194,301	75	6	12	11	...	9	7	...	...	...	16	9	2	...	8	1	15	1	...	32	67	56	123	104	82	196
Decca	4	Decca	67,333	32,117	119,450	34	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	13	2	2	...	3	2	5	1	...	30	17	26	43	24	16	29
24-Parganas	6	Shalpur	65,722	19,865	85,587	30	...	5	5	11	1	1	...	15	23	37	22	31	48
	6	Tilagarh	20,323	15,918	36,241	11	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	5	9	5	4	13

R. B. KHAMBATA, M.R.C.S., D.P.H., Director of Public Health, Bengal (offg.).

CALCUTTA, the 26th April 1926.

Form C.—BENGAL.

[Section 5 (2) of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925.]

Statement of cotton pressed in the Bengal Presidency for the week ending
23rd April 1926.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Name of Division or Block.	Number of bales pressed.		Number of bales pressed.		District included in the block.
	During the week.	During the corresponding week last year.	Since 1st September 1925 (the date prescribed by the Local Government as the commencement of the season).	During the corresponding period last year.	
The Bengal Presidency ...	2,854	No information.	24,113	No information.	All districts in the Presidency.

R. P. ADAMS,

Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.



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LIBERALITY OF BABU RAMESWAR NATHANI.

No. 151T.—Edn., dated Darjeeling, the 5th May 1926.

From—J. H. LINDSAY, ESQ., M.A., I.C.S., Secretary to the Government of Bengal
Department of Education,

To—The Director of Public Instruction, Bengal.

WITH reference to your letter No. 416, dated the 16th April 1926, I am directed to request that you will be so good as to convey the thanks of the Government of Bengal to Babu Rameswar Nathani for his liberality and public spirit in making a donation of Rs. 15,000 to the Lord Lytton Islamia College Scholarship Fund.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1554Edn.—The 1st May 1926.—The Report on the Bruce Institution for the year 1925 is published for general information.

J. H. LINDSAY,

Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

REPORT ON THE BRUCE INSTITUTION FOR THE YEAR 1925.

I. Control.—(1) During the year under review the Rev. Father T. Van der Schueren, S. J., and the Rev. E. B. Joyner, whose terms of office had expired, were re-appointed Governors.

(2) The following new Governors were appointed :—

- (a) The Ven'ble Archdeacon J. Godber, *vice* the Rev. Canon W. A. H. Parker, resigned.
- (b) Mrs. H. Barton, *vice* Mrs. J. H. Rundlett, resigned.
- (c) The Rev. D. H. Manley, *vice* the Rev. E. B. Joyner, resigned.
- (d) Mr. Herbert A. Stark, *vice* Mr. W. F. Papworth, who had left India on long leave.

(3) The following were Governors at the end of the year :—

The Hon. the Chief Justice of Bengal
 The Most Rev. Lord Bishop of Calcutta
 The Surgeon-General with the Government of Bengal
 The Mayor of Calcutta
 The Director of Public Instruction (Honorary Secretary)
 The Hon. Mr. Justice H. G. Pearson.
 The Ven. J. Godber (Archdeacon of Calcutta).
 The Rev. Father T. Van der Schueren, S. J.
 The Rev. D. H. Manley.
 Maurice Remfry, Esq.
 Herbert A. Stark (offg. Inspector of European Schools).
 Mrs. H. Barton.

Ex officio.

II. Capital and Income.—The capital of the Institution is Rs. 10,46,200 in 3½ per cent. stock-certificate of the year 1865, and in addition, there are temporary investments from savings which stood at Rs. 23,200, against Rs. 23,200 in the previous year, all of them in Government securities. The annual interest is Rs. 37,929 against Rs. 37,629 in the previous year, which is banked with the Imperial Bank of India. The year opened with a cash balance of Rs. 18,927-15-1 and closed with one of Rs. 14,643-15-3.

III. Election to vacancies, etc.—(1) The annual election of wards was held on Tuesday, the 6th January. For the 13 vacancies advertised, 57 applications were received and 13 girls elected on the recommendation of a sub-committee consisting of the Rev. Father T. Van der Schueren, S. J., the Rev. Canon W. A. H. Parker, the Rev. E. B. Joyner and Mr. W. F. Papworth. Of the girls elected, 8 were placed in the Loreto Convent, Entally (3 in the 1st and 5 in the 2nd boarding school), 2 in the Calcutta Girls' High School, 2 in St. Thomas' School, and 1 in Sherwood House, Namkum, Ranchi.

(2) Of the 13 girls withdrawn during the year, 5 had attained the age-limit of 17, 3 were withdrawn by their parents for various reasons before they had attained that age, 3 were removed on the remarriage of their mothers, whose circumstances had improved, and 6 others were removed as their progress did not justify their retention, and one died.

(3) Of the girls who had been withdrawn during the preceding year, and in respect of whom reports have been received during the year under review, one has joined the Presidency General Hospital to undergo training as a nurse, one is an assistant teacher in Kindergarten, another is employed as an assistant in a Trades firm, and two are operators in the Bengal Telephone Company.

(4) At the close of the year there were 89 wards on the rolls against 94 in the previous year. They were distributed as follows:—

Loreto Convent, Entally	{ 1st Boarding 26 2nd Boarding 18 }	...	44
Calcutta Girls' High School	...	...	11
Pratt Memorial School	...	...	6
St. Thomas' School	...	...	9
Loreto Convent, Asansol	...	...	7
St. Paul's Mission Home	...	...	3
Old Church Parochial Home	...	...	2
St. Mary's Convent, Naini Tal	...	...	3
St. Joseph's Convent, Cuttack	...	...	1
Bishop Westcott School, Ranchi	...	...	2
Queen's Hill School, Darjeeling	...	...	1
Total	...	...	89

Class.	Roman Catholic.	Church of England.	Non-conformists.	Total
1. Orphans, or deserted by their parents	12	8	2	22
2. Fatherless or motherless, or deserted by their fathers or mothers	38	13	5	56
4. Those who have both parents alive	4	3	4	11
Total	54	24	11	89

(6) The health of the wards was generally satisfactory, but three wards who were in poor health were transferred to schools outside Calcutta.

IV. Education and Maintenance.—(1) The nature of the education given to the wards was that prescribed for higher grade schools under the Code of Regulations for European Schools in Bengal, and in a few cases that for secondary schools.

(2) The Governors are anxious that their wards should not be allowed to drift when they leave school, and have accordingly asked the Visiting Governor to make, in consultation with the school authorities and the girls themselves who have attained, or are about to attain, the age of 15, some definite proposals where this seemed desirable, so that the last two years of their school life may be spent to the best advantage and be a preparation for earning a living.

(3) Two wards were sent in for the Senior Cambridge Local Examination in December 1924, of whom one passed. One was sent in for the Junior Cambridge, and passed. Four were entered for the Higher Grade School Final Examination, of whom two passed. Some wards appeared at the Cambridge Local Examinations held in December 1925. The results are not yet known.

(4) Under the rules a ward is not ordinarily allowed to remain on the fund after the age of 17, when an outfit grant of Rs. 100 is generally given, on application, to enable her to make a start in life. In cases where wards wish to be trained as teachers and have the support of the school authorities, or where some other special training is recommended, or they are preparing for higher examinations, some extension of the period of benefit is generally allowed. One ward was granted a further year's extension to enable her to sit for the Higher Grade School Final Examination.

(5) The monthly average cost for the education and maintenance of each ward amounted to Rs. 25-5-6 against Rs. 25-15-6 in the preceding year.

(6) The amounts paid under the different heads of expenditure were as noted below:—

	1925.			1924.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Education and maintenance	32,545	0	0	33,360	0	0
Office establishment	947	14	6	960	0	0
Contingencies	193	9	8	172	14	8
Advertisement and printing	495	12	0	390	4	0
Cost of outfits	2,300	0	0	2,450	0	0
Holiday fees	374	0	0	148	0	0
Funeral expenses	30	0	0	...	...	...
Other charges	78	13	0	183	11	0
	36,965	1	2	...	...	...
Investment	5,247	14	8	...	...	...
Total	42,212	15	10	37,662	13	8

V. Inspection.—Mr. W. F. Papworth was appointed Visiting Governor for the first-half, and Mrs. Barton for the second-half, of the year. There was no report from Mr. Papworth, who left India on long leave. Mrs. Barton visited all the schools in Calcutta having Bruce wards, and after seeing the wards reported on their progress and prospects. She stated that it was the general opinion that the majority of the Bruce wards would derive most benefit from higher grade schools. She also stated that it was the general feeling that the present grants for wards were inadequate, as they had to cover such additional charges as books, stationery, medical charges and sometimes clothing. This point is receiving the attention of the Governors.

VI. Meetings. Five meetings were held during the year, and among the various resolutions passed the following may be noted :—

(1) That letters received from the school authorities on the question of training, with the view to the definite placing in life of girls educated from the funds of the Bruce Institution, be placed in the hands of the Visiting Governors, and that they should discuss the suggestions with each Principal in connexion with each ward in the schools visited.

(2) That it is desirable that all bills should be checked against the list of wards every month.

(3) That the Honorary Secretary be requested to report to the Governors in future the names of any children for whom bills for six months have not been submitted.

(4) That every child elected should be on probation for one year, such election to be confirmed a year later on receipt of a report from the school of the year's work.

(5) That the Inspector of European Schools, Bengal, be requested to examine terminal reports on wards and send a report to the Secretary with regard to any action required.

E. F. OATEN,

Honorary Secretary to the Governors.

CALCUTTA, the 15th March 1926.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 5th May 1926.

Summary.—Excepting in some West Bengal districts light showers fell almost throughout the Presidency. More rain is needed for field operations of jute and paddy in parts of West and North Bengal, elsewhere weeding continues in full swing. The young plants are thriving under favourable conditions. The average price of common rice for the Presidency has fallen by about 0.18 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
1	24-PARGANAS...	Nil	5½	5½	Effects of weather on crops are seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Sandeshkhali in Basirhat and Habra in Baraset.
	Diamond Harbour.	Nil	5½	5½	
	Barrackpore ...	0.03	5½	5½	
	Baraset ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	Nil	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	0.09	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowings continue; more rain is wanted. Prospects of standing crops are fair.
	Kushtia ...	2.58	5½	5½	
	Meherpur ...	Nil	5	5	
	Chuadanga ...	0.06	5½	5½	
	Ranaghat ...	0.75	5	5	
3	MURSHIDABAD	0.46	6	6	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Export of rice continues in Jangipur. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Nawada in Sadar, thana Mirzapur in Jangipur, and thanas Khargram and Barwan in Kandi. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Lalbagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	0.20	6	6	
	Kandi ...	Nil	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	0.25	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute and paddy are going on. Cattle-disease is reported from Lohagara. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Jhenidah ...	3.30	5½	5½	
	Magura ...	1.25	5	5	
	Narail ...	0.03	5	5	
	Bougaon ...	0.10	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	0.22	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Cultivation of autumn paddy and jute is continuing.
	Satkhira ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Bagerhat ...	0.10	5½	5½	

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			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
6	BURDWAN ...	0.12	5	5½	Weather hot and cloudy. Manuring and ploughing of fields are continuing. Transplantation of sugarcane is in progress. Effects of weather on crops are fair. Stock of rice is sufficient. Export and import are as usual. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Asansol ...	Nil	6	6	
	Katwa ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	(n)	(n)	5½	
7	BIRBHUM ...	Nil	6½	6½	Common rice sells at 6½ seers at Labpur. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Rampurhat subdivision.
	Rampurhat ...	Nil	5½	6	
8	BANKURA ...	0.98	6	6	Weather comparatively cool because of hailstorm on the 5th instant. Planting of sugarcane is going on. Fodder and water sufficient.
	Vishnupur ...	0.20	5½	5½	
9	MIDNAPORE ...	0.10	6½	6½	Preparation of lands is progressing. Sugarcane and summer paddy are thriving. Fodder is sufficient.
	Contai ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	0.38	6	6	
	Ghatal ...	1.23	6½	5½	
	Jhargram ...	0.95	6	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	0.36	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Fodder is sufficient.
	Serampore ...	Nil	5½	5½	
	Arambagh ...	Nil	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	5½	5	Manuring of lands continues.
	Uluberia ...	Nil	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHAHI ...	Nil	5½	5½	Weather comfortable. Preparation of lands for and sowings of autumn paddy and jute are still going on. Rice market is steady. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Natore and Gurdaspur police-stations.
	(RAMPUR-BOALIA). Naogaon ...	0.87	6½	6½	
	Nator ...	0.30	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	Nil	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Fodder and water are insufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Raiganj thana in Sadar subdivision, Thakurgaon thana in Thakurgaon subdivision, and Balurghat, Damoirhat, Patnitola, Gangarampur thanas in Balurghat subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Thakurgaon ...	Nil	7	7	
	Balurghat ...	0.24	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI ...	1.25	5	5	Condition and prospects of crops are fair.
	Alipur ...	1.77	5½	5½	
15	DARJEELING ...	0.03	4½	4½	Maize and potatoes are growing. Wheat and barley are being harvested and sugarcane and autumn crops are being sown. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease exists at places.
	Kurseong ...	Nil	5	5	
	Siliguri ...	0.06	5	5	
	Kalimpong ...	Nil	5	5	

(n) Not reported.

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			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
16	RANGPUR ...	4.12	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is still in progress. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari ...	0.04	5½	5½	
	Kurigram ...	1.11	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha ...	0.15	5½	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	3.08	6	6	Rain helped growth of jute and sowing of other autumn crops.
18	PABNA ...	2.66	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Atgharia and Tarash police-stations.
	Sirajganj ...	2.60	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	0.04	5½	5½	Ploughing of lands for jute and paddy is going on. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Harvesting of summer paddy has commenced. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	0.69	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Weeding operation is in progress. Cutting of tobacco is finished. Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Cattle-disease exists in the interior. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	0.72	5½	5½	Weather seasonable but sultry. Weeding of jute and paddy is in full swing. Prospects of standing crops, specially jute, appear to be good. Rice market is almost steady. Fodder and water are available.
	Manikganj ...	2.27	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj ...	0.45	5½	5½	
	Munshiganj (a)	2.16	5½	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	2.02	5½	5½	Weather hot and cloudy with storms at night. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is still going on. Prospects of the standing crops are normal. Fodder and water are available.
	Jamalpur ...	2.09	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	2.60	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	3.29	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj ...	1.13	5½	5½	

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	2.70	5½	5½	Sowing and weeding of jute and paddy continue. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease has not yet subsided.
	Goalundo (Rajbari).	3.27	5	5	
	Madaripur ...	0.28	5½	5½	
	Gopalganj (a) ...	0.30	5½	5½	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARIBAL).	0.39	5½	5	Weather seasonable. Prospects of the standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thanas Banoripara, Kaukhali and Nazirpur in Pirojpur subdivision.
	Pirojpur ...	0.03	5½	5½	
	Patnakhali ...	0.06	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shahapur (Bhola)†	0.22	5½	5½	
25	CHITTAGONG ...	0.30	6½ 6*	6½ 6*	Harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops is nearly completed. Cultivation of <i>pania</i> autumn paddy has commenced. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 14 seers per rupee at Sadar and 13 seers at Cox's Bazar. Cattle-disease is reported from Chakaria, Cox's Bazar and Mahishkhal.
	Cox's Bazar ...	Nil	5½	5½	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	0.17	5	5	Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Brahmanbaria.
	Brahmanbaria	0.26	5½	4½	
	Chandpur ...	0.79	5½	5½	
27	NOAKHALI ...	0.37	5	5	Weather seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Lakhipur.
	Feni ...	0.60	5½	5½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	1.73	5½	6	Weather seasonable.
29	TRIPURA STATE	0.49	5	5	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and autumn paddy is finished. Cattle-disease exists in Khowai, Sonamuri and Udaipur. Condition of standing crops is fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cleansed cotton sells at Rs. 20 to Rs. 40, and jute at Rs. 18 to Rs. 25 per maund.

* Burma rice.

† In the *Calcutta Gazette* of the 11th and 16th March the price of common rice at Bhola, which was shown to be 5½ seers for the weeks ending the 3rd and 10th March 1926, should be read as 5½ and 5 seers respectively.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, 11th 8th May 1926.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the undermentioned parts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

Parts.	Paddy, local (best quality).			Paddy, local (common quality).			Rice, local (best quality).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	4 12 0	4 10 0	4 4 0	4 5 0	4 5 0	4 0 0	3 5 0	3 5 0	3 0 0
Bardwan ...	4 12 0	4 0 0	3 12 0	4 0 0	4 4 0	3 4 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	2 2 0
Baiganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	3 12 0	3 12 0	3 10 0	3 9 0	3 9 0	3 7 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	2 4 0
Chittagong ...	3 14 0	4 0 0	4 12 0	3 12 0	3 12 0	4 3 0	3 12 0	3 5 0	3 3 0
Dacca ...	4 10 0	4 3 0	4 14 0	4 5 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	3 2 0	3 0 0	3 2 0
Pabna ...	4 7 0	4 6 0	4 5 0	4 2 0	4 2 0	4 4 0	7 3 0	7 10 0	3 3 0
Rangpur ...	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 3 0	2 8 0	2 8 0	3 4 0	3 12 0	3 12 0	10 8 0
Baiganj (Pabna).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Srimabari (Mymensingh).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj (Dacca).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Parts.	Rice, local (common quality).			Wheat.			Kalmi dal.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	7 14 0	7 14 0	7 8 0	5 2 0	5 2 0	5 0 0	6 4 0	6 4 0	6 4 0
Bardwan ...	7 12 0	7 8 0	6 8 0	5 10 0	5 10 0	5 10 0	7 0 0	7 3 0	6 3 0
Baiganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	6 12 0	7 0 0	6 12 0	(a)	(a)	(a)	5 12 0	5 3 0	5 0 0
Chittagong ...	6 10 0 to 7 4 0	6 0 0 to 5 3 0	5 3 0	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca ...	7 0 0	7 0 0	7 4 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	5 0 0	5 12 0	5 3 0	(a)
Pabna ...	7 1 0	7 3 0	7 4 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	7 3 0	5 0 0	7 4 0
Rangpur ...	5 10 0	5 12 0	7 3 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0	6 4 0	6 4 0	5 3 0
Baiganj (Pabna).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Srimabari (Mymensingh).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj (Dacca).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

(a) Not available.

† Now.

(n) Not reported.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the undermentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

Marts.	Gram.			Arhar dal.			Linseed.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	4 2 0	4 2 0	3 14 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	6 12 0	5 12 0	5 12 0	5 12 0
Bardwan ...	6 2 0	5 3 0	4 12 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	5 12 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	(a)
Raniganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	5 2 0	5 2 0	4 10 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	2 0 0	8 0 0
Chittagong ...	5 3 0	5 0 0	5 3 0	8 0 0	8 0 0	7 12 0	15 0 0	15 0 0	9 4 0
Dacca ...	4 2 0	4 0 0	5 3 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	5 8 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	8 0 0
Pabna ...	5 0 0	4 4 0	4 4 0	8 3 0	8 3 0	8 0 0	3 0 0	3 0 0	3 4 0
Rangpur ...	5 0 0	7 0 0	7 0 0	10 0 0	10 0 0	5 8 0	(a)	(a)	(a)
Beraiganj (Pabna).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berisabari (Mymensingh).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj (Dacca).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Marts.	Mustard.			Gur.			Cotton (unginned).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta ...	8 4 0	8 4 0	8 0 0	8 2 0	8 2 0	7 10 0	23 8 0	20 0 0	43 0 0*
Bardwan ...	10 0 0	9 0 0 to 10 0 0	9 0 0 to 10 0 0	7 0 0	...	10 0 0	...	...	(n)
Raniganj ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore ...	9 10 0 to 10 2 0	9 2 0 to 10 0 0	9 0 0 to 10 0 0	6 8 0	4 8 0	9 4 0	...	...	...
Chittagong ...	9 0 0	10 0 0	8 0 0	13 3 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	...	...	...
Dacca ...	10 2 0	10 8 0	8 0 0	11 14 0	12 0 0	10 0 0	...	...	...
Pabna ...	9 0 0	9 8 0	9 0 0	9 0 0	10 0 0	7 0 0	...	...	...
Rangpur ...	13 0 0	13 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	11 0 0	10 0 0	...	...	...
Beraiganj (Pabna).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Berisabari (Mymensingh).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Narayanganj (Dacca).	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

(a) Not available.

* Good Cawnpore.

(n) Not reported.

Wholesale prices-current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the undermentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

Marts.	Jute.			Ghee.			Hide (Cow).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	{ (1) 18 0 0 (2) 16 0 0 (3) 14 0 0 }	{ (1) 19 0 0 (2) 18 0 0 (3) 14 0 0 }	{ (1) 19 0 0 (2) 17 0 0 (3) (n) }	{ 20 0 0 to 25 0 0 }	{ 76 0 0 to 80 0 0 }	{ 74 0 0 to 80 0 0 }	(n)	{ 12 0 0 to 16 0 0 }	{ 14 0 0 to 18 0 0 }
Bardwan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baiganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Midnapore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fabaa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rangpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baiganj (Fabaa).	11 0 0	11 0 0	(b)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baiganj (Mymensingh).	{ 12 0 0 to 17 0 0 }	(c)	(b)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Baiganj (Dacca).	{ 12 0 0 to 15 0 0 }	{ 13 0 0 to 16 0 0 }	{ 16 0 0 to 18 0 0 }	...	...	...	...	...	...

(1) Price of jute four. (2) Price of district four. (3) Weighted average price. (n) Not reported. (b) No transaction.

Marts.	Iron.			Salt.			Kerosene oil.		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	(n)	{ 8 0 0 to 16 0 0 }	{ 10 0 0 to 18 0 0 }	{ 2 0 0 to 2 0 0 }	{ 2 0 0 to 2 0 0 }	{ 2 1 0 to 2 1 0 }	{ 6 7 0 to 6 4 0 Elephant (n) }	{ 6 8 0 to 7 0 0 Elephant 7 4 0 }	{ 6 14 0 to 7 0 0 Elephant 7 0 0 }
Bardwan
Baiganj
Midnapore
Chittagong
Dacca
Fabaa
Baiganj
Baiganj (Fabaa).
Baiganj (Mymensingh).
Baiganj (Dacca).

* For two lines. † Price per 20 lbs. (a) British mild steel per cwt. (n) Not reported. (b) Not available.

Wholesale prices current of food-grains, salt, etc., in the undermentioned marts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

Marts.	Mustard oil.			Firewood.			Coal (Bengal).		
	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Calcutta	22 8 0 to 23 8 0	22 0 0 to 22 8 0	23 8 0 to 24 0 0	(n)	0 10 0 to 0 12 0	0 10 0 to 0 12 0	0 7 0*	0 7 0*	0 8 0*
Burdwan	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Raiganj	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 4 0
Midnapore	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Chittagong	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Dacca	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Pabna	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Rangpur	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Seraiganj (Pabna).	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Berikbari (Mymensingh).	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000
Narayanganj (Dacca).	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000	000 000

* Soft coals.

(n) Not reported.

J. C. ROY, for *Director of Agriculture, Bengal.*

Dacca, the 6th May 1926.

Price-current (retail) of food-grains, oil, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

Divisions.		Number.	Districts and marts.	Quantity per rupee in seers of eighty tolas.																	
				Common rice.						Kalmi dal (<i>Phaseolus radiatus</i>).			Arhar dal or Thur Cajjan Pea (<i>Cajanus indicus</i>).			Salt.					
				Average.			Cheapest.														
				Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.												
Presidencies.				S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	R. Cu.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	S. Or.	
Presidencies.		34-PANAGAMA.																			
	1	Obeth Hat ...	5 2	5 3	5 3	5 3	5 3	5 12	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 5	14 0	14 0	12 0	14 0	14 0	12 0	
	2	Magra Hat ...	5 11	5 12	5 11	5 14	5 2	5 2	(a)	(a)	(a)	5 0	5 0	5 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	10 0	
	3	Calcutta-Bellinghata	4 2	4 2	5 0	5 2	5 2	5 2	5 15	5 15	5 15	5 5	5 5	5 5	10 5	10 5	8 0	10 5	10 5	8 0	
		NADIA.																			
	4	Goari ...	5 2	5 3	5 3	5 5	5 5	5 11	4 0	4 0	5 0	4 4	4 2	5 4	8 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	
	5	Hanaghat ...	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 4	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
		MURSHIDABAD.																			
	6	Berhampore ...	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 0	5 3	5 0	7 0	6 2	5 5	14 5	15 0	15 0	14 5	15 0	15 0	
	7	Kandi ...	5 2	5 2	7 0	5 10	5 10	7 4	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 0	7 0	15 0	15 0	14 5	15 0	15 0	14 5	
	8	Jangipur ...	5 0	5 0	5 12	5 4	5 4	7 0	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 5	14 0	14 0	13 0	14 0	14 0	13 0	
Presidencies.		JAMSHEDPUR.																			
	9	Sadar ...	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 0	5 5	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 5	4 5	4 12	14 4	14 0	14 0	14 4	14 0	14 0	
	10	Bongaon ...	5 2	5 5	5 5	5 2	5 2	5 4	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	5 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
		KHULNA.																			
	11	Sadar ...	5 5	5 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 10	5 4	5 4	5 12	4 5	4 5	5 0	13 4	13 4	13 4	13 4	13 4	13 4	
	12	Bagerhat ...	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 12	5 12	5 4	7 0	7 0	7 0	4 5	4 5	4 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	
		BURDWAN.																			
	13	Sadar ...	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 5	5 12	5 5	5 11	5 11	5 4	5 5	5 5	7 0	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	
	14	Kalna ...	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 7	5 12	5 5	4 3	4 0	5 11	4 11	4 5	5 11	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	
		BIRBHUM.																			
	15	Buri ...	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 12	5 0	5 5	4 5	4 5	5 5	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
	16	Rampur Hat ...	5 0	5 0	(n)	5 4	5 4	(n)	4 12	5 4	(n)	5 0	5 0	(n)	14 5	14 5	(n)	14 5	14 5	(n)	
Burdwan.		BANURA.																			
	17	Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 4	4 5	4 0	3 5	5 4	5 0	5 5	11 5	13 5	13 0	11 5	13 5	13 0	
	18	Vishnupur ...	5 5	5 5	7 0	5 12	5 0	7 4	5 4	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 0	5 4	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
		MIDNAPORE.																			
	19	Sadar ...	5 0	5 2	5 5	5 5	5 5	7 0	5 5	5 5	5 0	4 5	4 5	5 5	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
	20	Contai ...	5 12	5 12	5 5	5 0	5 0	7 0	5 0	4 5	5 5	4 5	5 0	5 5	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	
		HOOGLY.																			
	21	Sadar ...	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 0	5 0	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	12 5	
	22	Arambagh ...	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 0	5 0	7 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 4	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	14 0	
		HOWRAH.																			
	23	Sadar ...	5 4	5 0	5 4	5 12	5 4	5 5	5 4	5 4	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 5	15 5	15 5	15 5	15 5	15 5	15 5	
	24	Uluberia ...	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 5	5 5	4 12	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	17 0	
Rajshahi.		RAJSHAH.																			
	25	Rampur-Boalia ...	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 5	5 7	5 10	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 5	5 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	14 5	
	26	Nator ...	5 4	5 4	(n)	5 4	5 10	(n)	4 14	4 14	(n)	4 14	4 14	(n)	12 0	12 0	(n)	12 0	12 0	(n)	
	27	Dinajpur-Railway Bazar Hat.	5 5	5 5	5 0	5 14	5 10	5 0	5 0	5 0	7 10	4 13	4 13	5 5	13 0	13 0	11 0	13 0	13 0	11 0	
	28	Jaipalguri-Sadar...	5 12	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 12	5 5	5 0	5 5	5 5	5 4	5 12	11 0	13 0	12 0	11 0	13 0	12 0	

* Kartach.

(a) Not available.

(n) Not reported.

N.B.—The prices of karkach and Liverpool salt tally with each other in marts marked†.

Price-current (retail) of food-grains, salt, etc., in the districts of Bengal for the second-half of April 1926.

		Quantity per rupee in seers of eighty tolas.															
		Common rice.						Kala dal (<i>Phaseolus radiatus</i>).			Arhar dal or Thur Onyan Pea* (<i>Cajanus indicus</i>).			Salt.			
		Average.			Cheapest.												
Division.	Number.	Districts and marts.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
Rajshahi.		DARJELING.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.	S. On.
	29	Sadar ...	4 8	4 12	(a)	5 12	5 12	5 8	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0
	30	Siliguri ...	5 0	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 8	6 0	5 0	5 8	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 12	12 8	12 8	12 0
		RANGPUR.															
	31	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 0	5 5	5 12	5 12	7 3	4 0	4 12	5 2	5 0	5 0	5 0
	32	Nilphamari ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	(a)	(a)	(a)	4 0	4 0	4 4	4 0	4 0	4 4	10 0	12 0	12 0
	33	Bogra—Sadar ...	5 0	5 12	5 8	5 8	5 0	5 7	4 2	4 2	4 12	4 8	4 3	5 0	15 0	15 0	15 0
		PABNA.															
	34	Sadar ...	5 0	5 4	5 8	5 8	5 8	5 12	5 4	5 0	5 8	4 12	5 0	5 0	14 0	16 0	14 0
	35	Birajganj ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 8	6 0	6 0	6 0	4 0	4 0	4 12	12 0	12 0	12 0
Dacca.		MALDA.															
	36	Sadar ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 8	7 0	5 8	6 0	5 8	5 0	6 8	11 0	14 0	13 0
	37	Dalla—Nawabganj ...	5 4	5 8	5 8	(a)	6 12	6 10	7 0	6 0	6 0	6 8	6 4	6 8	10 0	13 0	13 0
		DACCA.															
	38	Sadar ...	5 8	5 4	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 8	7 0	7 4	9 0	5 4	5 4	7 0	12 12	14 0	13 0
	39	Mirkañim ...	5 4	5 4	4 14	5 8	5 8	5 2	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	14 0	13 0	15 8
		MYMENSINGH.															
	40	Nasirabad ...	5 4	5 4	4 12	5 8	5 12	5 8	4 0	4 4	5 8	4 8	4 8	7 0	12 8	12 4	13 0
	41	Netrakona ...	5 12	5 0	4 11	5 4	5 4	(a)	6 4	6 0	6 0	4 12	4 12	6 2	13 6	13 4	13 8
		FARIDPUR.															
42	Sadar ...	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 4	6 0	5 8	6 0	5 4	5 0	5 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	
43	Rajbari ...	5 0	5 0	5 8	5 8	5 8	6 0	6 0	6 0	7 8	5 0	5 0	5 8	14 0	14 0	13 0	
Chittagong.		BAKARGANJ.															
	44	Barisal ...	4 11	5 4	5 4	5 2	5 0	5 12	6 6	6 0	7 4	5 5	5 0	5 0	16 0	16 0	16 0
	45	Pirojpur ...	5 12	5 10	5 2	5 14	5 12	5 4	6 8	6 8	7 0	4 8	4 8	5 8	12 0	12 0	12 0
		TIPPERA.															
	46	Comilla ...	5 2	5 5	4 8	5 5	5 8	5 0	(a)	(a)	(a)	4 4	4 4	5 4	12 12	12 12	13 0
	47	Chandpur ...	5 4	5 4	5 2	5 8	5 8	5 8	(a)	(a)	5 11	4 0	4 0	5 8	12 12	12 12	13 0
		NOAKHALI.															
	48	Kalthara H&I ...	5 0	5 0	5 0	5 4	5 4	5 4	5 0	5 0	7 0	4 0	4 0	5 0	13 0	13 0	13 0
	49	Peol H&I ...	5 8	6 0	5 8	5 8	5 8	6 0	7 0	6 12	7 8	(a)	(a)	(a)	14 8	14 8	14 8
		CHITTAGONG.															
50	Sadar ...	5 0	5 8	6 4	7 0	7 0	7 0	4 4	4 4	4 8	5 8	4 8	5 0	16 0	16 0	13 8	
51	Cox's Bazar ...	5 8	5 8	5 8	(a)	(a)	(a)	3 4	3 4	4 0	4 0	4 0	4 0	14 0	14 0	13 0	
52	Chittagong Hill Tracts—Rangamati.	5 0	5 8	6 0	(a)	(a)	(a)	3 8	3 8	4 0	3 8	3 8	4 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	

(a) Not available.

(a) Not reported.

N.B.—The prices of Karakach and Liverpool salt tally with each other in marts marked †

* Karakach.

Dacca, the 6th May 1926.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the River Ganges at Rampur Boalia for the week ending the 1st May 1926.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero of gauge.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum on the same date last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
25th April	7 A.M.	35.75	35.75	36.30	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. B. M. on Rajshahi College step 64.73. Value of zero of gauge = -0.00 P. W. D.
26th "	7 "	35.70	35.70	36.30	
27th "	7 "	35.60	35.60	36.55	
28th "	7 "	35.50	35.50	36.80	
29th "	7 "	35.40	35.40	37.05	
30th "	7 "	35.40	35.40	37.30	
1st May	7 "	35.35	35.35	37.50	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year's	Highest water-level	... on 18th August 1924	... 61.85
Do.	Do.	... on 18th September 1925	... 61.45
Do.	Lowest	... on 15th April 1925	... 58.80
Record	Highest	... 69.25 on 26th August 1879	... 64.44
Do.	Do.	... 69.08 on 9th September 1885	... 64.27
Do.	Do.	... 68.80 on 26th August 1906	... 63.47
Do.	Do.	... 68.21 on 26th August 1890	... 63.40
Do.	Lowest	... 37.68 on 25th April 1884	... 52.82
Do.	Do.	... 38.18 on 14th and 15th April 1885	... 53.82
Do.	Do.	... 38.02 on 21st and 22nd April 1897	... 54.31
Do.	Do.	... 39.28 on 6th and 7th May 1908	... 54.47
Do.	Do.	... on 9th May 1922	... 54.70

N.B.—The gauge-readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

J. F. RUSSELL, *Subdivisional Officer,*
I. D., *Rajshahi.*

RAMPUR BOALIA, the 1st May 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending the 1st May 1926.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date of last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
25th April	7 A.M.	9.2	9.2	10.0	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. The bench-mark for this gauge is marked on a pucca base between passenger ghat and Chandpur ghat at Goalundo.
26th "	7 "	9.3	9.3	10.3	
27th "	7 "	9.3	9.3	10.5	
28th "	7 "	9.4	9.4	10.8	
29th "	7 "	9.6	9.6	10.9	
30th "	7 "	9.7	9.7	10.9	
1st May	7 "	9.9	9.9	11.2	

The gauge-readings commenced from 3rd October 1904.

Highest recorded flood	...	... 26.7 on 28th and 24th August 1924.
Previous highest recorded flood	...	... 25.75 on 28th August 1906 and 25.68 on 11th to 17th and 31st August 1889 and 1st to 3rd September 1888.
Lowest recorded water-level	...	... 5.8 on 17th February 1924.
Previous recorded low water-level	...	... 1.0 on 8th February 1914.

C. H. DE, for *Subdivisional Officer,*
P. W. D., *Farridpur.*

RAJBARI, the 1st May 1926.

Statement showing the gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 24th April 1926.

Date.	At highest water.		At lowest water.		Commencement of—		Remarks.	
	Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.	Ebb tide.	Flood tide.		
1926.							7 A.M.	5 P.M.
18th April ...	15-45	6.6	9-30	4.9	16-0	9-45	5.6	6.0
19th " ...	16-35	6.1	10-15	4.5	16-45	10-25	5.4	6.0
20th " ...	17-20	5.8	11-0	4.1	17-40	11-15	5.2	5.65
21st " ...	6-30	5.0	11-50	3.4	6-40	12-0	4.9	4.5
22nd " ...	7-30	5.0	12-50	3.4	7-40	13-0	4.8	4.6
23rd " ...	8-30	5.1	13-50	3.45	8-40	14-0	4.6	4.2
24th " ...	9-30	5.25	14-50	3.6	9-40	15-0	4.8	4.0

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

High.			Low.		
27th August	1906	... 70.6	23rd February	1907	... 51.06
5th September	1909	... 66.86	13th "	1908	... 51.06
10th August	1910	... 69.86	12th March	1912	... 51.06
1st "	1911	... 68.46	6th "	1914	... 50.60
13th "	1912	... 67.16	22nd February	1916	... 50.80
31st "	1915	... 69.7	15th "	1916	... 50.60
8th "	1916	... 68.1	3rd March	1917	... 51.0
12th "	1917	... 67.1	21st February	1918	... 51.40
13th "	1918	... 69.12	26th "	1919	... 50.4
2nd "	1919	... 68.8	18th "	1920	... 50.9
8th September	1920	... 66.9	19th "	1921	... 50.9
28th July	1921	... 68.4	8th March	1922	... 51.05
10th August	1922	... 68.00	14th "	1923	... 50.8
31st July	1923	... 68.15	16th February	1924	... 50.60
29th August	1924	... 68.62			

N.B.—Zero of the gauge at Dacca water-works = - 48.51 with reference to P. W. D. datum.

S. C. MAZUMDAR, *Executive Engineer,*
Khulna Division.

CALCUTTA, the 1st May 1926.

IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT, BENGAL.

Abstract statement showing the approximate volume of traffic and the tollage on canals in Bengal classed as Major Works and Minor Works and Navigation for the month of March 1926, as compared with the corresponding month of the previous year.

Canals.	1925-26.					
	Weight of cargo.		Rafts.		Tollage.	
	During the month.	To end of the month.	During the month.	To end of the month.	During the month.	To end of the month.
Major Works.	Tons.	Tons.	No.	No.	Rs.	Rs.
Midnapore Canal ...	3,565	39,315	11,575	67,900	6,995	67,271
Hijili Tidal Canal ...	4,972	74,292	228	7,269	6,909	1,03,580
Total ...	8,537	113,607	11,803	75,169	13,904	1,70,851
Minor Works and Navigation.						
Calcutta and Eastern Canals ...	48,233	451,944	1,023	32,947	36,354	3,51,122
Tolly's Nala ...	26,854	284,255	23,485	255,445	8,845	98,859
Madaripur Bil Route ...	111,785	1,679,781	14,217	29,184	28,240	4,40,030
Total ...	186,873	2,415,980	38,725	317,576	73,439	8,90,011
Magrahat Channels ...	4,233	62,375	9,470	42,600	1,079	26,273
Orissa Coast Canal ...	4,603	47,522	1,769	5,938	4,055	37,521
GRAND TOTAL ...	195,709	2,525,877	49,964	366,114	78,573	9,53,805

Canals.	1924-25.					
	Weight of cargo.		Rafts.		Tollage.	
	During the month.	To end of the month.	During the month.	To end of the month.	During the month.	To end of the month.
Major Works.	Tons.	Tons.	No.	No.	Rs.	Rs.
Midnapore Canal ...	1,355	39,191	225	103,974	4,502	66,227
Hijili Tidal Canal ...	8,610	97,728	2,150	6,587	11,214	1,27,308
Total ...	9,965	136,919	2,375	110,561	15,716	1,93,535
Minor Works and Navigation.						
Calcutta and Eastern Canals ...	48,602	534,732	1,383	67,641	42,925	4,17,911
Tolly's Nala ...	30,100	293,914	33,542	373,712	10,541	1,18,762
Madaripur Bil Route ...	112,652	1,435,056	4,492	23,188	25,556	3,44,084
Total ...	191,354	2,263,702	39,397	464,541	79,022	8,80,757
Magrahat Channels ...	5,423	82,385	456	6,684	1,846	30,089
Orissa Coast Canal ...	5,731	48,032	1,925	12,149	4,579	34,885
GRAND TOTAL ...	202,508	2,394,119	41,778	483,374	85,447	9,45,731

T. C. BHATTACHARYA,

Assistant Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

CALCUTTA, the 4th May 1926.

Form C.—BENGAL.

[Section 5 (2) of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925.]

Statement of cotton pressed in the Bengal Presidency for the week ending
30th April 1926.

Name of Division or Block.	Number of bales pressed.		Number of bales pressed.		District included in the block.
	During the week.	During the corresponding week last year.	Since 1st September 1925 (the date prescribed by the Local Government as the commencement of the season).	During the corresponding period last year.	
The Bengal Presidency	2,646	No information.	26,759	No information.	All districts in the Presidency.

R. P. ADAMS.

Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.

CORPORATION OF CALCUTTA.

NOTICE.

It is notified for general information that the Corporation of Calcutta have, under powers vested in them under section 302 of the Calcutta Municipal Act (B. C. III of 1923), prescribed a building line and a street alignment for the portion of Syed Sally Lane between Harrison Road and Machuabazar Street to a width of 20 feet.

A copy of the plan prepared in this behalf is open to inspection any day during office hours on payment of the usual fees.

J. C. MUKERJEA, *Acting Chief Executive Officer.*

CENTRAL MUNICIPAL OFFICE, the 5th May 1926.



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GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Land Revenue.

DARJEELING, THE 5TH MAY 1926.

RESOLUTION—No. 117T.-R.

READ—

The report of the Board of Revenue on the administration of Wards', Attached and Trust Estates in the Presidency of Bengal for the year 1331 B.S. (1924-25).

1. The administration of the estates under the Court of Wards during the year 1331 B. S. was not marked by any event of importance, and the report does not call for comment.

2. The thanks of the Governor in Council are due to the Board of Revenue for the efficient administration of the estates under the management of the Court of Wards. He also notices with pleasure the good work done by the managers mentioned in the report.

By order of the Governor in Council.

W. S. HOPKINS,
Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.**FINANCE DEPARTMENT.****Audit.**

CALCUTTA, THE 12TH MAY 1926.

RESOLUTION—No. 1585F.**Subject: The Calcutta-Alipore-Howrah House Allowance Scheme.**

The object of the scheme set out in the rules which follow is to grant to married Government officers stationed in Calcutta, Alipore or Howrah a measure of relief against the difficulties experienced by such officers in obtaining suitable house accommodation at a rent proportionate to their emoluments. The scheme proceeds on the principle that a married officer, who, by the terms of his appointment, is stationed in any of those places, should not ordinarily be under the necessity of paying more than 10 per cent. of his pay for unfurnished house accommodation. It supersedes the existing Calcutta House Allowance Scheme, and will take effect from the 1st April 1926. The local Government reserve to themselves full power at any time to modify the scheme, and they admit no vested rights to the relief in its present or any other form, or to any compensation owing to its withdrawal or modification.

RULES.

I. These rules shall be called the Calcutta House Allowance Rules, 1926.

II. They shall apply to the following officers :—

- (a) an officer of an All-India Service whose headquarters, by the terms of his appointment, are in Calcutta, Howrah or Alipore, and whose pay does not exceed Rs. 3,000 a month and has not been fixed with special reference to the higher cost of living in the places mentioned in Schedule A ;
- (b) an officer holding an appointment admitted to the Calcutta House Allowance Scheme which these rules supersede ; and
- (c) an officer holding an appointment to which Government by special order declares that these rules shall apply :

Provided that without the specific sanction of Government no allowance shall be paid under these rules to—

- (i) an officer occupying quarters provided by Government, whether free or on payment of rent ;
- (ii) a medical officer who is allowed the privilege of private practice ;
or
- (iii) an officer drawing a compensatory allowance granted in consideration of the expensiveness of the locality, a Presidency House Rent Allowance or a Presidency Allowance.

III. Any officer mentioned in Rule II above, who occupies on payment of rent accommodation other than a residence owned or hired by Government, or resides in a hotel or boarding house in one of the places mentioned in the Schedule A annexed to these rules, and whose wife or child is resident

with him, shall be entitled under these rules to a house allowance on the following scale :—

Pay.	Assumed rent.	Amount of house allowance per month.
	Rs.	Rs.
Under Rs. 300	.....	45
Rupees 300 to 499	.....	80
" 500 to 1,249	.....	125
" 1,250 to 1,999	350	Actual rent (subject to a maximum of Rs. 350) less 10 per cent. of pay.
" 2,000 to 2,499	400	Actual rent (subject to a maximum of Rs. 400) less 10 per cent. of pay.
" 2,500 to 3,000	450	Actual rent (subject to a maximum of Rs. 450) less 10 per cent. of pay.

Proviso.—When the rent paid by an officer whose pay is between Rs. 800 and Rs. 1,249 exceeds Rs. 125 *plus* 10 per cent. of his pay, Government may sanction an allowance equal to the actual rent less 10 per cent. of his pay, provided the allowance so sanctioned does not exceed Rs. 225.

NOTE 1.—For the purpose of calculating the allowance admissible on the above scale, **pay** will be as defined in Fundamental Rule 9 (21) and will include sterling overseas pay the rupee value of which will be calculated throughout the financial year at the current rate of exchange prescribed for March of the previous year.

NOTE 2.—"Actual rent" means rent, exclusive of occupier's taxes, of unfurnished accommodation.

(a) If the rent paid includes occupier's taxes and the actual amount of such taxes is not known, a deduction of $\frac{1}{12}$ th shall be made from the gross rent.

(b) If the accommodation rented is furnished, and the rent payable to the lessor includes a payment on account of the hire of furniture, the rent of the unfurnished accommodation shall be taken to be $\frac{2}{3}$ ths of the rent of the furnished accommodation.

(c) When the amount payable by an officer residing in a hotel or boarding house or as a paying guest includes, in addition to rent, charges on account of food, furniture, service, lighting and taxes, or of any of these or similar items, and by reason of this it is impossible to calculate the "actual rent", the allowance admissible shall be as follows :—

Pay.	Allowance.
	Rs.
Under Rs. 300	45
Rupees 300—499	80
Rupees 500—1,249	125
Rupees 1,250—1,999	300*
Rupees 2,000—2,499	350*
Rupees 2,500—3,000	400*

* Less 10 per cent. of pay.

Provided that the allowance admissible to an officer whose pay is between Rs. 800 and Rs. 1,249 may be increased under the orders of Government to an amount not exceeding Rs. 175.

NOTE 3.—In cases in which the pay and allowance of an appointment are limited to a fixed maximum, the allowances admissible under these rules shall not count towards the maximum.

NOTE 4.—If an officer sublets any part of his accommodation to, or recovers any part of the actual rent from, another officer, to whom these rules do not apply, the allowance admissible to him shall be reduced by 10 per

cent. of the lessee's salary ; or if he sublets any part of his accommodation to, or recovers any part of the actual rent from, a non-official, a reduction of $\frac{1}{3}$ ths of the actual rent will be made in calculating the amount of his allowance.

Except as provided in Rule V, no two officers shall draw an allowance under these rules in respect of accommodation in the same house, flat or residence.

IV. An officer shall not draw the allowance until he has occupied accommodation in a house or flat or boarding house or hotel with his wife, or child or children, and has undertaken a liability to pay rent (or a sum including rent) for the same.

An officer may, however, continue to draw the allowance during either his own temporary absence on official duty or the temporary absence of his wife, or child or children, if he is able to certify that the rent during that period is not less than it would have been had he been resident there with his family :

Provided that, for the purpose of this rule, the length of such "temporary absence" shall not exceed—

- (i) if the accommodation occupied is a house or flat, a period of seven months' continuous absence at any one time or a total period of seven months' absence in any one calendar year ;
- (ii) if the accommodation occupied is in a hotel or boarding house, a period of three months' continuous absence at any one time or a total period of three months' absence in any one calendar year.

NOTE 1.—The absence of an educational officer of the professorial branch during the period of vacation shall be treated as absence on official duty.

V. If two or more officers entitled to a house allowance under these rules occupy one house, flat or residence, each such officer shall be required to make a declaration of the amount of rent actually payable by him : provided that nothing in this rule shall be construed so as to entitle an officer to an allowance in excess of that which would be admissible under Rule III, the allowance admissible to each such officer shall be the rent actually payable by him less 10 per cent. of his salary.

VI. If an officer, who would otherwise be entitled to an allowance under these rules, resides in his own house, Rules III and IV notwithstanding he shall be entitled to draw an allowance at the rates prescribed in Rule III, provided that if his pay is Rs. 1,250 or over the amount of the allowance shall be fixed in each case by the local Government.

VII. Every bill for an allowance payable under these rules shall be supported by one of the certificates appended to these rules. No retrenchment shall be made so long as the allowance is admissible under the letter of the rule : but the audit officer should report for the orders of Government any case in which it appears that the rules have been deliberately abused.

By order of the Governor in Council,

M. C. McALPIN.

Secretary to the Government of Bengal (offg.).

SCHEDULE A.

Calcutta.
Alipore.
Ballygunge.
Sealdah.

Howrah.
Barrackpore.
Dum-Dum.

Serampore.
Bally.
Regent Park Estate, Tollygunge.

Certificates.**I.**

(To be given by an officer whose pay does not exceed Rs. 1,249.)

(a) If his wife or family have been resident with him.

Certified—

- (a) that during the month of _____ I have been in occupation on payment of rent or of charges which include rent of accommodation in _____, not owned or hired by Government, and that my wife ^{and}/_{or} child (or children) ^{was}/_{were} resident with me ;
- (b) that I have not sublet any part of the above accommodation or recovered any part of the actual rent of the same from a paying guest otherwise than in accordance with Rule V.

IA.

(b) If his wife or family have been temporarily absent (vide Rule IV).

Certified—

- (a) that during the month of _____ I have been in occupation on payment of rent or of charges which include rent of accommodation in _____, not owned or hired by Government, and that, though my wife ^{and}/_{or} child (or children) ^{has}/_{have} not been resident with me, my expenditure on house accommodation in _____ has not been less than if my wife ^{and}/_{or} child (or children) had been resident with me ;
- (b) that the period of continuous absence at any one time or the period or periods of absence during the current calendar year have not exceeded ^{three}/_{seven} months ;
- and
- (c) that I have not sublet any part of the above accommodation or recovered any part of the actual rent of the same from a paying guest otherwise than in accordance with Rule V.

II.

(To be given by an officer whose pay is Rs. 1,250 or over and an officer whose pay is less than Rs. 1,250, but who draws house allowance under proviso to Rule III.)

(a) If his wife or family have been resident with him.

Certified—

- (a) that during the month of _____ the ^{actual rent payable by me for my accommodation}/_{rent payable by me for my furnished accommodation} in _____ was Rs. _____ and that my wife ^{and}/_{or} child (or children) ^{was}/_{were} resident with me ;
- (b) that I have not sublet any part of this accommodation or recovered any part of the actual rent from a paying guest otherwise than in accordance with Rule V ;
- (c) that I separately ^{pay}/_{do not pay} occupier's share of tax which ^{amounts to Rs.}/_{is unknown} ;
- (d) that my accommodation is ^{furnished}/_{unfurnished}.

IIA.

(b) If his wife or family have been temporarily absent (*vide* Rule IV).

Certified—

- (a) that during the month of _____ the actual rent payable by me for the _____ house
flat
room or rooms
rent payable by me for my furnished _____ house
flat
room or rooms
occupied by me in _____ was Rs. _____, and that, though my
wife ^{and} child (or children) ^{has} ~~have~~ not been resident with me, my expenditure
on house accommodation in _____ has not been less than if my wife ^{and}
child (or children) had been resident with me;
- (b) that the total period of continuous absence at any one time or the period or
periods of absence during the current calendar year have not exceeded ^{three}
seven
months; and
- (c) that I have not sublet any part of the above accommodation or recovered any
part of the actual rent of the same from a paying guest otherwise than in
accordance with Rule V;
- (d) that I separately ^{pay} ~~do not pay~~ occupier's share of tax which amounts to ^{Rs.}
~~is unknown~~;
- (e) that my accommodation is ^{furnished}
~~unfurnished~~.

NOTE—

- (a) The certificate to be furnished by an officer the amount of whose allowance is
fixed under Note 2 (c) of Rule III should be in Form I or IA even though his
pay is Rs. 1,250 or over.
- (b) The certificate to be furnished by an officer the amount of whose allowance is
governed by Rule V should be in Form II or IIA even though his pay is
below Rs. 1,250.

III.

(To be given by an officer who resides in his own house and draws the allowance
under Rule VI.)

(a) If his wife or family have been resident with him.

Certified that during the month of _____ I have been in occupation of my own
house in _____ and that my wife ^{and} ~~or~~ child (or children) ^{was} ~~were~~ resident with me.

IIIA.

(b) If his wife or family have been temporarily absent.

Certified that during the month of _____ I have been in occupation of my own
house in _____ and the temporary absence of my wife ^{and} ~~or~~ child (or children) has not
exceeded seven months continuously or seven months in all during the current calendar
year.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2466 Com.—The 14th May 1926.—The Twentieth Annual Report of the Bengal Smoke-Nuisances Commission for the year 1925 is published for general information.

M. C. MCALPIN,

Secretary to the Government of Bengal (offg.).

Twentieth Annual Report of the Bengal Smoke-Nuisances Commission

1. At the close of the year under report the Commission was composed as follows:—

J. N. GUPTA, Esq., M.B.E., I.C.S., Commissioner of the Presidency Division, *President*.

S. C. MUKERJEE, Esq., I.C.S., Magistrate of Howrah.

R. P. ADAMS, Esq., O.B.E., A.M.I. MECH. E., Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.

ENGINEER-COMMANDER W. A. WILLIAMS, M.I.E. (Ind.), A.M.I.N.A., R.I.M., Principal Engineer and Ship-Surveyor to the Government of Bengal.

GEORGE ROBERTSON, Esq., the Union South Jute Mills, Buddertolla,

J. D. BALFOUR, Esq., Messrs. Burn & Co., Ltd., Howrah.

} representing
the Bengal
Chamber of
Commerce.

J. N. CHUNDER, Esq., Messrs. S. C. Chunder & Co., representing the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce.

N. MACLEOD, Esq., M.I.M.E., representing the Calcutta Port Commissioners.

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2. The Commission during the year under review held 12 meetings. They kept abreast of the latest international achievements in smoke abatement, considered the best methods for improving efficiency and securing co-operation by rendering service to the owners and the public. The result of the general policy adopted has been a reduction of the smoke-nuisance. The average emission of smoke from each chimney for this year as shown in the Appendix is 1.19 minutes in the hour against 1.39 for the previous year, and is also the lowest attained. The importance of this reduction is apparent when it is realised that it represents a total daily reduction of 5,000 minutes of black smoke, the effect of which is that this year's atmosphere was visibly cleaner than that of last year.

3. The Chief and Assistant Inspectors made 14,442 smoke observations against 11,708, and the visits to factories, etc., for instructional and testing purposes were 3,710 against 3,410 for the previous year.

4. During the year 2,759 offences were reported to the owners for their departmental action against 2,262 for the previous year and the Commission gratefully acknowledge the beneficial results of the action by the owners which was generally taken at once. In some cases it was necessary to bring into operation the penal sections of the Act. Statutory Warnings were served in 12 cases and prosecutions instituted in 5 cases against 34 and 14, respectively, for the previous year.

5. The public continues to apply freely for relief to the Commission. During the year 59 complaints were received against 56 for the previous year, and relief was given wherever possible. In addition many references were received from the various municipalities, necessitating, in many cases, careful tests and lengthy observations.

6. Properly proportioned furnaces, flues and chimneys are the basic factors for efficient smoke abatement, increasing the power of the plant and reducing the overhead and fuel expenses. During the year the Commission examined and approved 79 plans of which 70 were made in the office of the Commission. Plans on request were also supplied to mills outside the controlled area and to other Provinces. In this respect the Commission's wide experience as service was always at the disposal of the owners.

7. Following the general trend throughout the world, some of the larger mills have fitted appliances for using low grade fuel and in those of the cases in which the design was good, excellent results have been obtained. In others there has been considerable trouble with smoke, when using the smokier coal, as the system for supplying air to the fires gives an unbalanced distribution. However, action is being taken to rectify this defect.

The most advanced and promising installation is that of a large jute mill recently completed, and fitted with air preheaters. The preheating of the air for burning the coal was originally introduced for abating smoke and after many years has become an economic achievement on a large scale. This particular installation is understood to be the first of its kind in India. There is no economizer the waste gases from the boiler preheat the air. The temperature of the feed water to the boiler is raised by the exhaust from the auxiliaries and bleeding from the main engine. The results are remarkable both for fuel economy and smoke reduction.

8. Recently, the rice mill owners represented that owing to the present trading conditions more fuel is being used than the profits of the industry can stand and requested assistance. The Commissioners decided to investigate whether the present method of using live steam from the boiler for steaming paddy could not with suitable manipulation be replaced by the exhaust steam from the engine. This, if successful, should reduce the total fuel consumption by over 25 per cent., and also reduce the smoke.

9. The solids in smoke (soot, grit, ash, etc.) cause the greatest damage to health and property, and the achievements in smoke reduction have not always secured the desired reduction of the objectionable solids. Recently in one of the most successful smoke departments, where a remarkable reduction of smoke had been effected, they had the apparently astounding experience that the total discharge of solids had increased. To reduce smoke and increase the capacity of the plant the draft is usually increased, and this increased draft carries more of the light particles of the fuel into the atmosphere. So, the modern problem is also to reduce the discharge of solids, and this is under the consideration of the Commissioners. In this direction also some progress has been attained, as in the mills using light fuel a remarkable reduction of smoke has been effected and the installation of suitable appliances has prevented the annual discharge of 20,000 tons of solids into the atmosphere of Calcutta.

10. Smoke abatement engineering has many phases, ever changing with the developing art of using fuel. To maintain the required smoke abatement in the 80 square miles of controlled area necessitates unremitting effort, frequent inspection, tests and advice, constant observation of the smoke emission from chimneys. Any slackening of efforts quickly produces an increase in the nuisance, difficult to reduce.

The Commissioners consider the present system of observation inefficient and, on their recommendation, Government has recently sanctioned a scheme under which the whole of the area under control can be observed from a central smoke observatory.

11. Electric and gas appliances, both for commercial and domestic use, should be encouraged as permanent remedies for atmospheric pollution caused by smoke. During the year, 646 motors aggregating 5,480 horse power were connected to the system of the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation.

12. The most deadly of the smoke-nuisances is the low-lying smoke discharged at ground level from over a quarter of a million furnaces, which for several hours particularly during the cold weather evenings shrouds some suburban areas in an irritating and suffocating pall through which it is impossible to see even a few yards ahead. To deal with the abatement of this smoke as a whole is a question of great difficulty. But, some improvements can be effected by the introduction of gas appliances, and the Commission are glad to see that increasing progress is being made in this direction.

During the year, the Oriental Gas Company have fixed 1,220 gas appliances, in the city, of which 414 were for water heating, 492 were cookers for domestic and hotel use and 264 boiling rings, 42 miscellaneous appliances for domestic and industrial use, 6 gas engines for power purposes, and 2 large ovens for biscuit making. They also state that several of the largest buildings have been fitted throughout with gas appliances and nearly all of the smaller buildings recently erected have been so fitted. One of the leading hotels has abolished their smoky coal range and has fitted the largest gas heated range in India, which is giving entire satisfaction.

13. Some impression regarding the appalling financial loss and the ghastly waste of human life and energy which is caused by the smoke nuisance, which is not generally realised may be obtained from the following extracts from "Facts about fuel for heat and power":—

"Manchester, in laundry bills alone spends annually £250,000 more than she would spend if her air was as clean as that of Harrogate."

"In New York, nearly 20 years ago, laws to prohibit the smoke-nuisance were passed and strictly enforced and the atmosphere of New York became entirely untainted by smoke. In 15 years the death rate from tuberculosis was reduced 66 per cent."

"Three months absence of coal smoke during the great stoppage of mines in 1921 saved the lives of 457 persons in Glasgow, the deaths from respiratory diseases during that period being only 539 against 996 in the corresponding period of 1920."

14. It is generally claimed that efficient smoke abatement benefits the owners. The experience of the Commissioners is, the annual saving in fuel effected through their efforts is over 40 times the cost of running this department.

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J. N. GUPTA,
President.

CALCUTTA:
The 16th March 1926.

APPENDIX.

Table showing the AVERAGE of the observed emission of smoke of scales 6, 5 and 4 in terms of scale 6 up to the present time.

Year.	Minutes per hour.	Year.	Minutes per hour.
1906 April (when work was commenced)	13.1	1917 March	1.31
1907 March	3.5	1918 "	1.29
1908 "	2.5	1919 "	1.27
1909 "	2.04	1920 "	1.23
1910 "	1.94	1920 December	1.22
1911 "	1.84	1921 "	1.60
1912 "	1.84	1922 "	1.68
1913 "	1.82	1923 "	1.40
1914 "	1.74	1924 "	1.39
1915 "	1.66	1925 "	1.19
1916 "	1.40		

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BENGAL.

Third and Final Forecast of the Spring Oilseed Crops of Bengal, 1925-26.

[NOTE.—On an average of the five years ending 1923-24, the area under linseed in Bengal has represented some 3·9 per cent. and that under rape and mustard 18·7 per cent. of the total area under these crops in British India.]

Character of the season.—As reported in the preceding forecast, the weather was generally favourable at the outset. Uneven distribution of rainfall during the period of growth affected the crops. Excessive rain accompanied by hail at harvest time in March further reduced crops in East Bengal. This, combined with damage done by insect pests in most of the important districts, made the season a poor one on the whole.

Acreage.—Oilseeds are chiefly grown in the Rajshahi, Dacca and Presidency Divisions. In the other two divisions the cultivation is small. The total area under these crops (excepting sesamum for which separate forecasts are issued) is returned at 900—100 acres this year as against 884,600 acres last year.

Outturn.—From the District Officers' estimates the provincial outturn of the different oilseed crops works out at 55 per cent. of the normal as against 75 per cent. last year.

Taking 5½ maunds as the normal rate of yield per acre for linseed, 6 maunds for rape and mustard and 4½ maunds for other oilseeds, the total yield of the crops for the province is estimated at 106,300 tons this year as against 144,000 tons last year.

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DACCA, the 12th May 1926.

APPENDIX I.

Third and Final Forecast of the Spring Oilseed Crops of Bengal, 1925-26.

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Estimated outturn as a percentage of the normal yield per unit of area.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1924-25).	This year (1925-26).	Last year.	This year.		
		Acres.	Acres.	Acres.				
24 Parganas	Linseed ...	1,000	600	600	100	92	December to the middle of February. Normal.	The weather was favourable. Owing to want of rain the outturn was below the normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,000	600	600	100	92		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	400†	100	100	67	67		
	Total ...	2,400	1,800	1,800	94	90		
Medinipur	Linseed ...	55,700	34,500	42,100	75	68	End of January. Normal.	The weather was favourable at sowing time, but subsequent drought affected the outturn.
	Rape and mustard ...	22,100	12,600	11,600	67	67		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	18,900	2,500‡	3,100‡	67	67		
	Total ...	96,700	50,600	57,000	73	60		
Murshidabad	Linseed ...	15,100	12,600	14,000	75	67	Middle of January to middle of March.	The weather was unfavourable. Some damage was caused by heavy showers in Kandi and untimely rainfall at the flowering season.
	Rape and mustard ...	14,200	12,900	14,200	75	75		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	6,800	2,200	4,600	75	75		
	Total ...	36,100	28,700	32,800	75	72		
Jessore	Linseed ...	8,100	10,900	10,000	59	66	End of February. Normal.	The outturn was much below the normal owing to untimely rainfall.
	Rape and mustard ...	28,300	20,200	20,100	60	70		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	2,900	2,700	2,600	59	60		
	Total ...	49,300	33,800	32,700	60	68		
Khulna	Linseed ...	300	100	100	100	83	Middle of January. Normal.	The increase in area was due to extension of cultivation. The weather was fairly favourable. The outturn was below the normal, owing to want of timely rain.
	Rape and mustard ...	25,000	4,400	4,900	50	83		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	1,000†	500†	500†	64	83		
	Total ...	26,300	5,000	5,500	52	83		
Burdwan	Linseed ...	5,800	5,400	5,900	83	75	February. Normal.	Owing to unfavourable weather at the beginning, an outturn of asses nino only was harvested this year.
	Rape and mustard ...	6,800	7,800	7,600	83	76		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	200	100	100	83	83		
	Total ...	9,800	13,000	13,600	83	75		
Birbhum	Linseed ...	800	800	700	67	67	Latter part of February. Normal.	The outturn was much below the normal, owing to insufficient supply of irrigation water and rain fall.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,800	1,800	1,700	67	67		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	200	200	200	67	67		
	Total ...	2,800	2,800	2,600	67	67		
Bankura	Linseed ...	1,600	1,500	1,800	83	83	End of January. Normal. February. Normal. End of January. Normal.	The weather was fairly favourable. The outturn was low, owing to heavy rain at the sowing time.
	Rape and mustard ...	6,300	4,500	4,900	83	83		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	2,100†	7,300‡	7,300	83	83		
	Total ...	10,000	13,300	14,000	83	83		
Midnapore	Linseed ...	4,800	1,200	4,800	75	75	End of February. Normal.	Some lands were brought under cultivation in Tanakpur subdivision, owing to late showers. The outturn was below the normal, owing to want of rain at the sowing time.
	Rape and mustard ...	12,200	10,800	11,000	75	75		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	3,800	2,800	4,800	75	75		
	Total ...	20,800	14,800	20,600	75	75		
Hooghly	Linseed ...	100	100	(22)	83	77	Middle of January. Normal.	The weather was fair on the whole. The outturn fell below the normal, owing to want of rain for irrigation and to heavy rain at harvesting time.
	Rape and mustard ...	2,800	1,600	1,800	83	77		
	Other oilseeds (excepting (ii)).	400	400	400	83	77		
	Total ...	3,300	2,100	2,000	83	77		

† Including the area under coconut.

‡ Including the area under groundnut and coconut.

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Estimated outturn as a percentage of the normal yield per unit of area.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1924-25).	This year (1925-26).	Last year.	This year.		
		Acres.	Acres.	Acres.				
Howrah	Linseed ...	300	300	300	88	67	By the middle of February. Normal.	The weather was not favourable, owing to scanty rainfall.
	Rape and mustard ...	600	600	600	67	67		
	Total ...	900	900	900	44	47		
Bajanshi	Linseed ...	14,800	10,800	10,800	67	67	March. Normal.	The weather was not favourable owing to unequal distribution of rain. Some damage was reported from Natore.
	Rape and mustard ...	53,100	37,800	33,800	67	67	January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	2,300	1,300	1,300	88	88	March. Normal.	
	Total ...	69,900	49,700	47,800	67	67		
Dinajpur	Linseed ...	(40)*	300	100	67	67	Latter part of January.	The outturn fell below the normal on account of heavy rainfall.
	Rape and mustard ...	62,400	35,700	36,400	66	61		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	100	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	62,500	35,900	36,500	66	61		
Jalpaiguri	Rape and mustard ...	52,400	40,500	41,100	92	100	February.	The weather was generally favourable and a normal outturn was reaped.
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	300	100	100	83	100	End of January. The dates are normal.	
	Total ...	52,800	40,700	41,300	92	100		
Darjeeling	Rape and mustard ...	2,100	1,800	1,800	92	83	January. Normal.	The weather was fairly favourable. The outturn fell below the normal, owing to untimely rainfall just before harvesting and also due to damage by hail storm.
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	300	300	300	100	100		
	Total ...	2,300	1,800	1,800	93	83		
Bangpur	Rape and mustard ...	138,400	63,500	67,100	100	100	Beginning of January. Normal.	The weather was favourable.
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	200	200	200	...	...
	Total ...	138,700	63,700	67,300	100	100		
Bogra	Linseed ...	1,900	1,900	903	...	40	Middle of March.	Humidity of the soil produced the insect pests which damaged the crops seriously. Hence, the outturn was very low.
	Rape and mustard ...	26,000	17,000	16,100	70	30	January.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	300	100	100	...	40	End of December.	
	Total ...	27,900	18,900	16,100	70	31		
Patna	Linseed ...	14,200	9,100	9,800	63	47	Middle of March.	The decrease in area, as compared with the preceding forecast, is due to revision of estimates. The outturn fell much below the normal, owing to damage caused by insect pests.
	Rape and mustard ...	41,800	71,600	73,000	67	68	January. Normal.	
	Total ...	56,100	80,700	81,800	69	69		
Maidi	Linseed ...	4,000	3,000	3,400	83	78	End of February.	The weather was not favourable for want of rain.
	Rape and mustard ...	10,000	10,000	10,800	76	78	By the middle of January.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	2,800	800	700	80	88	End of February. The dates were normal.	
	Total ...	17,300	13,800	14,900	78	74		
Dacca	Linseed ...	3,200	4,400	4,800	83	62	February. Normal.	The weather was not favourable for want of rain. Insect pests also caused damage to a certain extent.
	Rape and mustard ...	72,800	71,100	70,900	83	67	January. Normal.	
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	5,700	700	3,300	83	75	April. Normal.	
	Total ...	81,400	75,700	80,900	83	60		
Mymensingh	Linseed ...	2,400	2,400	2,400	...	60	January. Normal.	About half the crops in Kishoreganj and one-eighth in Netrakona were damaged by insects. Damage was also caused by hail storm in Tangail. The outturn was, therefore, much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	264,000	211,000	200,000	75	35		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>)	800	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	266,900	213,400	202,500	76	33		

* Conventional area.

District.	Name of spring oilseed crops.	Estimated normal area under spring oilseeds.	Estimated area under spring oilseeds.		Estimated outturn as a percentage of the normal yield per unit of area.		Date by which the harvesting generally commenced this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
			Last year (1924-25).	This year (1925-26).	Last year.	This year.		
		Acres.	Acres.	Acres.				
Faridpur	Linseed ...	8,000	8,500	8,700	76	84	End of January. Normal.	The weather was not very favourable. Damage to some extent was done by insects and drought and heavy rain attended by hail storm at the harvest time.
	Rape and mustard ...	24,800	21,900	23,900	63	83		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	1,100	1,100	1,050	81	70		
	Total ...	31,700	29,400	30,650	65	78		
Bakerganj	Linseed ...	4,300	3,500	3,600		50	February and March. Normal.	The weather and its effects on the growth of the crops were fair, but rains at the early part of March caused great damage to the linseed crop and the outturn was much below the normal.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,800	1,000	1,300	67	61		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	100	100	100		68		
	Total ...	6,100	4,600	4,900	67	53		
Chittagong	Linseed ...	100	100	100	83		January. Normal.	The weather was favourable.
	Rape and mustard ...	7,000	2,000	2,000	87	98		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	100	100	150	83			
	Total ...	2,300	2,300	2,300	87	98		
Tippah	Linseed ...	4,300	2,100	2,100	67	47	February. Normal.	Owing to want of rain the weather was not favourable. The drought damaged the crops to some extent. In Brahmanbaria about half the crops was damaged by the insects.
	Rape and mustard ...	28,000	26,300	26,300	88	43		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	600	300	300	80	33		
	Total ...	32,900	28,700	28,700	84	47		
Noakhali	Linseed ...	6,300	7,100	8,100		100	February and March. Normal.	The weather was favourable.
	Rape and mustard ...	1,000	600	1,000	100	100		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	700	900	900				
	Total ...	8,000	8,600	10,000	100	100		
Chittagong Hill Tracts.	Rape and mustard ...	12,000	14,500	14,500	67	100	Last week of January. Normal.	The weather was good.
Total Bengal	Linseed ...	184,800	120,800	123,700	76	66		
	Rape and mustard ...	987,800	736,700	731,300	75	63		
	Other oilseeds (excepting <i>id.</i>) ...	61,600	27,100	33,200	73	74		
	Total ...	1,303,600	884,600	900,100	75	55		

APPENDIX II.

Abstract statement of estimated acreage and outturn of the spring oilseed crops of Bengal, 1925-26.

Province.	Names of crops.	Area (in acres).						Yield (in tons).						
		Of current year's crop (1925-26).	Of previous year's crop (1924-25).	Average of preceding—	Percentage by which column 3 exceeds (+) or is less than (-), area in—		Estimated yield of current year, i.e., of area in column 2.	Yield of previous year, i.e., of area in column 4.	Average of preceding—	Percentage by which column 8 exceeds (+) or is less than (-) yield in—				
					Column 4.	Column 5.				Column 9.	Column 10.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
Bengal ...				Pice years.	Ten years.	Pice years.	Ten years.			Pice years.	Ten years.	Pice years.	Ten years.	
	Linseed ...	123,700	120,800	122,250	144,400	+10.7	+5.4	-7	19,400	19,100	17,100	20,300	-3.7	+7.6
	Rape and mustard.	731,300	736,700	884,600	1,020,200	-0.8	-12.4	-29	82,800	121,800	140,800	176,400	-21.3	-40.6
	Other oil-seeds (excluding <i>id.</i>)	35,200	27,100	29,400	33,700	+20.3	+34	+4.4	4,100	3,100	3,300	3,800	+32.3	+34.3
	Total ...	900,100	884,600	900,100	1,303,600	+1.3	-9.1	-29.5	106,300	144,600	161,200	200,400	-36.2	-34

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BENGAL.

Final Forecast of the Wheat Crop of Bengal, 1925-26.

(NOTE.—On an average of the five years ending 1923-24, the area under wheat in Bengal has represented some 0.4 per cent. of the total area under wheat in India. The ratio of the irrigated wheat acreage to total wheat acreage in (a) British India, and (b) in the territory now reported on has, in the five years ending 1923-24, averaged (a) 42.2, and (b) 14.7 per cent., respectively.)

Character of the season.—As indicated in the preceding forecast, the outturn was considerably reduced in the important districts of Malda and Murshidabad, owing to drought in the former and cloudy weather and untimely rainfall in the latter. Damage by hail was also reported from some places. In the lesser districts of Midnapore, Jalpaiguri and Faridpur the crop was helped by the showers of early March. Later on, excessive rainfall accompanied by hail at reaping time in April caused further damage in the districts of Nadia, Jessore and Mymensingh. On the whole, the season was a fair one for the crop.

Acreage.—According to the District Officers' estimates the total area sown is 130,500 acres this year as against 126,400 acres last year.

Outturn.—The provincial outturn, as worked out from district estimates, is 69 per cent. of the normal as against 64 per cent. last year. Taking the normal yield to be 8½ maunds per acre, the gross yield of the crop for the province is estimated at 27,600 tons this year as against 24,800 tons last year.

At the end of April, the average wholesale price of wheat at the principal marts of the province was Rs. 6-15 per maund or about 4.7 and 32.1 per cent. higher than the prices ruling at the corresponding periods of last year and the year preceding, respectively. The average wholesale price of common rice at the principal marts, on the other hand, was Rs. 7-2-3 per maund or about 1.5 and 25 per cent. higher than the prices ruling at the corresponding periods of last year and the year before, respectively.

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DACCA, the 12th May 1926.

APPENDIX I.

Final Forecast of the Wheat Crop of Bengal, 1925-26.

District.	Estimated normal area under the wheat crop.	Estimated area under wheat.		Estimated outturn as a percentage of the normal yield per unit of area.		Date by which the harvesting of the crop was begun this year and whether that date was early, normal or late.	Remarks by District Officers.
		Last year (1924-25).	This year (1925-26).	Last year.	This year.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Nadia ...	22,100	12,000	14,000	67	88	Middle of March. Normal.	The increase in area was due to favourable weather at sowing time. Subsequently want of sufficient rainfall during the growth and hailstorm just before reaping affected the outturn.
Murshidabad ...	25,500	27,600	24,300	67	88	Ditto	The weather was not favourable. The outturn is much below the normal owing to untimely rainfall in December last, occasional drought afterwards and to the recent rain in the Kandli subdivision and cloudy weather and hailstorm at the mature stage which affected the crop.
Jessore ...	3,800	700	700	50	40	March. Normal	The outturn is much below the normal owing to untimely rainfall.
Bardwan ...	1,600	1,700	1,700	88	83	Middle of March. Normal.	The weather was fairly favourable.
Birbhum ...	4,100	2,800	2,800	92	83	March. Normal	The weather was fairly favourable. Want of adequate irrigation water was responsible for the fall in outturn.
Bankura ...	6,500	4,800	5,000	83	100	Ditto	The weather was favourable.
Midnapore ...	800	800	800	84	83	Ditto	The weather was fairly favourable. The outturn was below the normal on account of continuous drought at the sowing time. Since the submission of the second forecast good showers benefited the crop.
Hooghly ...	400	200	200	83	67	Beginning of March. Early.	The weather was not favourable. The outturn was much below the normal due to want of sufficient water for irrigation.
Rajshahi ...	18,600	9,400	10,600	75	67	March. Normal	The weather was not favourable for want of proper distribution of rain; and the heavy showers in April destroyed the ripe crop to some extent. The outturn, therefore, was much below the normal.
Dinajpur ...	1,200	1,700	1,600	83	67	End of March. Late	The weather was not favourable.
Malpurguri ...	800	600	600	75	83	March and April. Normal.	The weather was fairly favourable. Some damage was caused by hailstorm in the Falakata tahsil.
Darjeeling ...	2,900	2,300	2,500	92	92	Second week of March. Normal.	The weather was favourable.
Rangpur ...	2,400	2,400	2,900	100	100	First week of March. Normal.	The weather was favourable.
Bogra ...	100	200	200	50	20	March. Normal.	The moisture in the subsoil was responsible for the low outturn.
Pabna ...	8,800	6,600	6,300	83	100	.....	The weather was favourable. Slight damage was caused by insect-pest in Chatmohar thana.
Madda ...	42,000	45,000	44,200	46	88	Latter part of March. Normal.	The decrease in area as compared with that of the last year is due to unfavourable weather, the outturn was below the normal for want of timely rainfall.
Dacca ...	4,100	2,500	2,800	60	83	Middle of March. Normal.	The weather was fairly favourable. The crop was slightly damaged in the Sadar subdivision by hailstorm.
Mymensingh ...	100	600	700	83	62	Ditto	The weather at the outset was fairly favourable except in Tangail, where want of timely rain retarded the growth of the crop.
Faridpur ...	2,700	2,800	2,800	62	64	March. Normal	The weather was not favourable. The outturn was below the normal owing to drought and hailstorm.
Total Bengal ...	168,000	136,400	150,400	64	69		

APPENDIX II.

Abstract statement of estimated acreage and outturn of the Wheat Crop of Bengal, 1925-26.

Province.	Area (in acres).					Yield (in tons).								
	Of current year's crop (1925-26).	Of previous year's crop (1924-25).	Average of preceding—	Percentage by which column 3 exceeds (+), or is less than (-), area in—		Estimated yield of current year, i.e., of area in column 2.	Yield of previous year, i.e., of area in column 3.	Average of preceding—		Percentage by which column 7 exceeds (+), or is less than (-), yield in—				
				Column 3.	Column 4.					Column 5.	Column 6.	Column 7.	Column 8.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11				
			Five years.	Ten years.	Five years.	Ten years.		Five years.	Ten years.	Five years.	Ten years.			
Bengal	130,400	136,400	130,600	132,780	+3.2	+8.29	+5.6	27,600	24,800	27,600	20,100	+11.3	+0.26	-9.3

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BENGAL.

Monthly Weather and Crop Report of Bengal for April 1926.

I. **Character of the season.**—General rain fell throughout the province, the precipitation being above the average in twelve districts notably in East Bengal. The usual rainfall statement is appended.

II. **Progress of agricultural operations.**—Sowing of jute and paddy was nearly completed in East Bengal, and continued in full swing in North and in parts of West Bengal. Weeding operations proceeded under favourable condition. Ploughing of lands progressed in West Bengal.

III. **State of standing crops.**—Jute and paddy were thriving as a result of alternate rain and sunshine. The condition of sugarcane plants was satisfactory.

IV. **Prospects and probable outturn.**—The outlook of autumn crops and deep-water paddy was promising so far. The total outturns of wheat and different spring oilseeds were 69 and 55 per cent. respectively of the normal for the province as a whole.

V. **Damage to standing crops.**—No appreciable damage was reported from any part of the Province.

VI. **Condition of agricultural stock.**—Cases of cattle-disease were reported from a number of places.

VII. **Failure of pasturage and fodder.**—No insufficiency of fodder was reported from any part of the province.

VIII. **Prices of food-grains.**—During the second fortnight of the month, the retail prices of common rice of the cheapest quality fell in five districts, rose in eight and remained stationary in the rest of the Presidency. It ranged from 5 seers 2 chitaks per rupee in the 24-Parganas and Bakarganj to 7 seers per rupee in Chittagong.

IX. **Condition of agricultural population.**—The condition of the agricultural population was generally fair.

ROBERT S. FINLOW,
Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

DAOGA, the 14th May 1926.

Statement showing the normal and actual rainfall in each district during April 1926.

Division.	District.	Normal district rainfall for the month of April.	Actual district rainfall for the month of April 1926.	Variation from the normal.	Division.	District.	Normal district rainfall for the month of April.	Actual district rainfall for the month of April 1926.	Variation from the normal.
		Inches.	Inches.	Inches.			Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
Presidency	24-Parganas ...	2.03	1.11	- 0.92	Rajshahi- circled.	Bangpur ...	3.23	1.95	- 1.27
	Calcutta ...	1.89	1.96	+ 0.07		Bogra ...	2.27	2.47	+ 0.20
	Nadia ...	2.75	2.96	+ 0.21		Pabna ...	2.98	2.23	- 0.75
	Murshidabad ...	1.85	1.83	- 0.02		Mokla ...	1.21	0.67	- 0.54
	Jessore ...	2.34	4.50	+ 2.16	Dacca	Dacca ...	5.95	6.09	+ 0.14
	Khulna ...	2.72	2.13	- 0.59		Mymensingh ...	4.35	2.97	- 1.38
Burdwan	Burdwan ...	1.45	1.14	- 0.31		Faridpur ...	5.10	5.26	+ 0.16
	Birbhum ...	1.16	0.96	- 0.20		Bakarganj ...	6.53	7.19	+ 0.66
	Bankura ...	1.34	0.17	- 1.17	Chittagong	Chittagong ...	5.14	9.42	+ 4.28
	Midnapore ...	1.72	1.22	- 0.50		Tippera ...	6.47	7.53	+ 1.06
	Hooghly ...	2.17	1.90	- 0.27		Noakhali ...	6.15	7.26	+ 1.11
Rajshahi	Howrah ...	2.07	0.88	- 1.19		Chittagong Hill Tracts ...	5.31	8.10	+ 2.79
	Rajshahi ...	1.67	1.03	- 0.64		Cooch Behar ...	4.97	1.69	- 3.28
	Dinajpur ...	1.84	1.40	- 0.44		Tripura State ...	6.56	7.84	+ 1.28
	Jalpaiguri ...	2.63	2.64	+ 0.01					
	Darjeeling ...	2.97	2.63	- 0.34					

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 12th May 1926.

Summary.—Light to moderate rain fell over the greater part of the province. Sowings of jute and other autumn crops are in brisk progress in West Bengal and in parts of North Bengal; elsewhere weeding is proceeding under favourable conditions. The outlook of autumn crops and deep-water paddy is reported to be promising. The average price of common rice for the province has fallen by about 0·12 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, &c.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
1	24-PARGANAS...	Nil	5½	5½	Effects of weather on crops are seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	Nil	5½	5½	
	Barrackpore ...	0·27	5	5½	
	Barasat ...	2·04	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	0·88	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	1·23	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and paddy is continuing. Prospects of standing crops are fair.
	Kushtia ...	1·14	5½	5½	
	Meherpur ...	1·08	5	5	
	Chuadanga ...	1·73	5½	5½	
	Ranaghat ...	0·35	5	5	
3	MURSHIDABAD	0·77	6	6	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Export of rice continues in Jangipur. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Nawada in Sadar subdivision. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Lalbagh ...	1·73	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	5·28	6	6	
	Kandi ...	0·40	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	2·62	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute and paddy is still going on. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Lohagara in Narail subdivision.
	Jhenidah ...	0·30	5½	5½	
	Magura ...	0·45	5	5	
	Narail ...	2·47	5½	5	
	Bongaon ...	2·92	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	2·00	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Cultivation of winter paddy has begun.
	Satkhira ...	1·13	5½	5½	
	Bagerhat ...	2·39	5½	5½	

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
6	BURDWAN ...	0.08	5	5	Weather hot and its effects on crops are good. Transplantation of sugarcane and manuring of fields are continuing. Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Asansol ...	0.01	6	6	
	Katwa ...	1.06	5½	5½	
	Kalna ...	(n)	(n)	(n)	
7	BIRBHUM ...	0.17	6	6½	Common rice sells at 6½ seers per rupee at Lalpur and Dubrajpur. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Nalhati and Moureswar thanas.
	Rampurhat ...	1.00	5½	5½	
8	BANKURA ...	0.40	6½	6	Weather seasonable. Ploughing and manuring of lands are going on. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Visbhnupur ...	0.20	5½	5½	
9	MIDNAPORE ...	0.17	6½	6½	Sowing of jute continues. Sugarcane and boro paddy are thriving well. Fodder is sufficient.
	Contai ...	0.27	5½	5½	
	Tamluk ...	Nil	6	6	
	Ghatal ...	Nil	6½	6½	
	Jhargram ...	Nil	6	6	
10	HOOGHLY ...	1.80	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. More rain is needed. Fodder is sufficient.
	Serampore ...	0.35	5½	5½	
	Arambagh ...	0.20	5½	5½	
11	HOWRAH ...	Nil	5½	5½	Ploughing and manuring of lands for jute and paddy are proceeding.
	Uluberia ...	Nil	5½	5½	
12	RAJSHAHI ...	2.90	5½	5½	Preparation of lands for jute and autumn paddy and sowings of the same are still being carried on. Harvesting of summer paddy has commenced. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Gurdaspur, Buratipara and Lalpur thanas.
	(RAMPUR-BOALIA). Naogaon ...	1.77	6	6½	
	Nator ...	1.25	5½	5½	
13	DINAJPUR ...	2.23	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute and other autumn crops continue. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from police-stations Damoirhat, Patnitola and Gangarampur in Balurghat subdivision and from Thakurgaon thana.
	Thakurgaon ...	2.44	7	7	
	Balurghat ...	4.12	6½	6½	
14	JALPAIGURI ...	1.86	5	5	Condition and prospects of crops are fair.
	Alipur ...	5.43	5½	5½	
15	DARJEELING ...	4.56	4½	4½	Maize and potatoes are growing. Sowing of sugarcane is almost finished and that of bhadoi crops is proceeding. Cattle-disease exists at places. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Kurseong ...	3.27	5	5	
	Siliguri ...	2.75	5	5	
	Katimpong ...	2.59	5	5	

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in paise, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
16	RANGPUR ...	2.00	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Weeding of jute and autumn paddy is continuing. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Nilphamari ...	2.08	5½	5½	
	Kurigram ...	1.32	5½	5½	
	Gaibandha ...	2.09	5	5½	
17	BOGRA ...	3.32	6	6	Rain has helped the growth of jute and sowing of other autumn crops.
18	PABNA ...	1.13	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Sirajganj ...	3.08	5	5	
19	MALDA ...	3.08	5½	5½	Prospects of standing crops are fair. Sowing of jute and paddy is going on. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy continues. Fodder and water are sufficient.
20	COOCH BEHAR	2.41	6½	6½	Weather seasonable. Sowing of jute is continuing and weeding operation is in brisk progress. Cattle-disease exists in the interior. Fodder and water are sufficient.
21	DACCA ...	0.67	5½	5½	Weather seasonable and hot. Harvesting of <i>boro</i> paddy has commenced. Weeding of jute and paddy is still going on in full swing. Prospects of standing crops are satisfactory. Rice market is almost stationary. Fodder and water are available.
	Manikganj ...	1.64	5½	5½	
	Narayanganj ...	0.50	5½	5½	
	Munshiganj (a)	2.13	5½	5½	
22	MYMENSINGH	(n)	5½	5½	Weather cool and cloudy. Weeding of jute and <i>aus</i> paddy is still going on. Prospects of the standing crops are normal. Fodder and water are available. Rice market is steady.
	Jamalpur ...	(n)	5½	5½	
	Tangail ...	(n)	5½	5½	
	Netrakona ...	(n)	5½	5½	
	Kishorganj ...	(n)	5½	5½	

(a) Munshiganj being very near to Dacca and Narayanganj, its rainfall statistics are not quoted. To give information regarding the northern part of the district, rainfall figures for Kapasia thana are reported here.

(n) Not reported.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
23	FARIDPUR ...	0.60	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowing and weeding of jute and paddy still continue. Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Fodder is sufficient. Cattle-disease has not yet subsided.
	Goalundo (Rajbari).	1.46	5	5	
	Madaripur ...	0.75	5½	5½	
	Gopalganj (a) ...	1.71	5½	5½	
24	BAKARGANJ (BARISAL).	0.52	5	5½	Weather seasonable. Prospects of the standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Pirojpur.
	Pirojpur ...	1.66	5½	5½	
	Patuakhali ...	1.09	5½	5½	
	Dakshin Shabaspur (Bhola).	0.82	5	5½	
25	CHITTAGONG ...	2.25	{ 6½ 6*	6½ 6*	Harvesting of <i>rabi</i> crops is almost complete. Cultivation of <i>pania aus</i> paddy is in progress. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. <i>Panga</i> salt is selling at 14 seers per rupee at Sadar and 13 seers at Cox's Bazar. Cattle-disease is reported from Chakaria and Mahishkhali.
	Cox's Bazar ...	0.02	5½	5½	
26	TIPPERA (COMILLA).	1.85	5	5	Prospects of the standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from the Brahmanbaria and Chandpur subdivisions.
	Brahmanbaria	2.42	5½	5½	
	Chandpur ...	0.21	5½	5½	
27	NOAKHALI ...	1.34	5	5	Weather seasonable. Prospects of standing crops are good. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cattle-disease is reported from Lakhipur.
	Feni ...	1.28	5½	5½	
28	CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS.	1.59	6	5½	Weather seasonable.
29	TRIPURA STATE	0.21	5	5	Weather seasonable. Cattle-disease exists in Khowai, Belonia, Sonamura and Udaipur. Condition of standing crops is fair. Fodder and water are sufficient. Cleansed cotton sells at Rs. 10 to Rs. 40, and jute at Rs. 20 to Rs. 24 per maund.

* Burma rice.

(a) The rainfall at Haridaspur, which is very near to Gopalganj, is shown here.

J. C. ROY, for Director of Agriculture, Bengal.

Dacca, the 15th May 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the river Ganges at Rampur Boalia for the week ending the 8th May 1926.

Date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero of gauge.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum.	Height of surface above P. W. D. datum on the same date last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
2nd May	7 A.M.	35.30	35.30	37.00	P. W. D. datum 6.25 feet above Kidderpur old dock sill. B. M. on Rajshahi College step 64.78. Value of zero of gauge = -0.00 P. W. D.
3rd "	7 "	35.30	35.30	37.70	
4th "	7 "	35.25	35.25	37.75	
5th "	7 "	35.20	35.20	37.80	
6th "	7 "	35.30	35.30	37.95	
7th "	7 "	35.30	35.30	38.00	
8th "	7 "	35.20	35.20	37.95	

		Old value.	According to P. W. D. datum.
The previous year's	Highest water-level	... on 18th August 1924	... 61.85
Do.	"	... on 16th September 1925	... 61.45
Do.	Lowest	... on 15th April 1925	... 55.80
Record	Highest	... 69.25 on 26th August 1879	... 64.44
Do.	Do.	... 69.08 on 9th September 1885	... 64.27
Do.	Do.	... 68.80 on 26th August 1906	... 63.47
Do.	Do.	... 68.21 on 26th August 1890	... 63.40
Do.	Lowest	... 37.68 on 25th April 1884	... 32.82
Do.	Do.	... 38.13 on 14th and 15th April 1883	... 32.82
Do.	Do.	... 39.02 on 21st and 22nd April 1897	... 34.21
Do.	Do.	... 39.23 on 6th and 7th May 1908	... 34.47
Do.	Do.	... on 9th May 1922	... 34.70

N.B.—The gauge-readings commenced from the 1st August 1887.

J. F. RUSSELL, *Subdivisional Officer,*

I. D., Rajshahi.

RAMPUR BOALIA, the 8th May 1926.

Statement of weekly gauge-readings on the rivers Ganges and Brahmaputra at Goalundo for the week ending the 8th May 1926.

Month and date.	Hour.	Height of surface above zero.	Height of surface above mean sea-level.	Height of surface above mean sea-level on the same date of last year.	Remarks.
1926.					
2nd May	7 A.M.	10.3	10.3	11.5	Zero is placed at mean sea-level. Highest water-level of the year. Lowest ditto. The bench-mark for this gauge is marked on a pucca base between passenger ghat and Chandpur ghat at Goalundo.
3rd "	7 "	10.5	10.5	12.1	
4th "	7 "	10.6	10.6	12.7	
5th "	7 "	10.5	10.5	13.5	
6th "	7 "	10.2	10.2	14.2	
7th "	7 "	9.8	9.8	15.0	
8th "	7 "	9.7	9.7	15.8	

The gauge-readings commenced from 3rd October 1904.

Highest recorded flood	...	... 26.7 on 23rd and 24th August 1924.
Previous highest recorded flood	...	... 25.75 on 28th August 1906 and 25.66 on 11th to 17th and 31st August 1889 and 1st to 8th September 1883.
Lowest recorded water-level	...	... 5.8 on 17th February 1924.
Previous recorded low water-level	...	... 1.0 on 8th February 1914.

C. H. DE, for *Subdivisional Officer,*

P. W. D., Faridpur.

RAJBARI, the 8th May 1926.

Statement showing the gauge-readings at Dacca Water-works on the river Buriganga for the week ending the 1st May 1926.

Date.	At highest water.		At lowest water.		Commencement of—		Remarks.	
	Time.	Readings.	Time.	Readings.	Ebb tide.	Flow tide.		
1926.							7 A.M.	5 P.M.
25th April ...	10-20.	5.5	15-45	3.85	10-30	15-55	4.7	4.2
26th " ...	11-5	5.8	16-35	4.15	11-15	16-40	4.7	4.25
27th " ...	11-50	6.1	17-25	4.4	12-0	17-30	4.8	4.6
28th " ...	12-35	6.4	6-20	4.7	12-45	6-35	4.9	5.1
29th " ...	13-25	6.7	7-20	4.95	13-33	7-30	5.1	5.7
30th " ...	14-10	6.9	8-20	5.1	14-17	8-30	5.5	6.1
1st May ...	15-0	7.2	9-10	5.2	15-15	9-20	5.7	6.6

Notable high and low water levels of previous years.

High.			Low.		
27th August	1906	... 70.5	23rd February	1907	... 51.06
5th September	1909	... 66.86	13th "	1908	... 51.06
10th August	1910	... 69.86	12th March	1912	... 51.06
1st "	1911	... 68.46	6th "	1914	... 50.60
13th "	1912	... 67.16	22nd February	1915	... 50.80
31st "	1915	... 69.7	15th "	1916	... 50.60
8th "	1916	... 68.1	8th March	1917	... 51.0
12th "	1917	... 67.1	31st February	1918	... 51.40
48th "	1918	... 69.12	26th "	1919	... 50.4
2nd "	1919	... 66.8	18th "	1920	... 50.9
8th September	1920	... 66.9	19th "	1921	... 50.9
28th July	1921	... 68.4	8th March	1922	... 51.05
10th August	1922	... 68.00	14th "	1923	... 50.8
31st July	1923	... 68.15	16th February	1924	... 50.60
29th August	1924	... 68.82			

N.B.—Zero of the gauge at Dacca water-works = - 48.51 with reference to P. W. D. datum.

S. C. MAZUMDAR, *Executive Engineer,*
Khulna Division.

CALCUTTA, the 8th May 1926.

Vital statistics of towns with a population of 50,000 and over of the Bengal Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 24th April 1926.

District.	No.	Towns.	Population under registration according to census of 1921.			Births registered.		Deaths registered.														Total of all causes.			Total of corresponding week of the previous year.					
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Number registered (excluding still-births).	Still-born number registered.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Plague.	Malaria.	Enteric fever.	Measles.	Typhoid fever.	Other fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhoea.	Influenza.	Pneumonia.	Phthisis.	Other respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicides.	Deaths from child-birth.	Other causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Calcutta	1	Calcutta	724,245	363,016	1,077,264	295	19	64	23	..	36	19	13	..	22	23	12	4	86	64	52	12	1	177	372	237	609	393	327	720
Burdwan	2	Amnol Mining Settlement.	176,814	152,539	329,353	183	2	53	9	..	..	..	..	2	16	2	..	..	9	1	8	2	1	60	89	74	163	57	44	101
Howrah	3	Howrah	129,472	66,829	196,301	83	5	14	9	..	5	6	..	..	..	10	6	..	8	3	17	2	2	24	83	83	166	84	84	168
Dacca	4	Dacca	67,323	52,117	119,440	87	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	7	..	..	6	1	3	..	1	20	30	36	66	23	23	51
24-Parganas	5	Ruatpota	43,723	19,406	63,129	22	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	5	1	1	1	1	4	13	13	26	17	11	28
	6	Titagarh	36,533	18,916	55,449	14	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	4	11	10	6	16

R. B. KHAMBATA, M.R.C.S., D.P.H., Director of Public Health, Bengal (off).

CALCUTTA, the 11th May 1926.

Vital statistics of Towns with a population of 50,000 and over of the Bengal Presidency for the week ending Saturday the 1st May 1926.

District	No.	Towns	Population under registration according to Census of 1921.			Births registered.		Deaths registered.																	Total of all causes.			Total of corrected preceding week of the previous year.			
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Number registered (excluding still-births).	Still-born number registered.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Plague.	Malaria.	Enteric fever.	Measles.	Relapsing fever.	Kala-azar.	Other fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhoea.	Indigestion.	Pneumonia.	Phthisis.	Other respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicide.	Deaths from child-birth.	Other causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Calcutta	1	Calcutta	724,246	353,016	1,077,264	160	28	51	14	...	26	28	11	...	20	44	24	13	2	72	59	51	63	2	227	256	512	719	444	218	762
Bardhaman	2	Amraol Mining Settlement.	176,614	182,439	359,053	270	1	27	7	...	...	...	...	1	...	16	1	...	...	18	...	6	3	...	90	91	90	171	99	106	304
Howrah	3	Howrah	125,472	66,429	191,901	68	4	26	14	...	3	1	...	...	2	26	10	7	...	7	4	23	1	5	20	85	78	161	88	70	158
Dacca	4	Dacca	67,332	52,117	119,449	45	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	14	5	4	...	4	...	4	...	...	12	23	19	51	41	16	57
24 Parganas	5	Shalpara	46,722	19,886	66,608	14	...	1	3	6	1	3	6	10	7	17	19	13	32
	6	Tilagarh	26,332	15,918	42,250	11	2	19	3	17	6	23	8	...	14

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CALCUTTA, the 14th May 1926.

Form C.—BENGAL.

[Section 5 (2) of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925.]

Statement of cotton pressed in the Bengal Presidency for the week ending
7th May 1926.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Name of Division or Block.	Number of bales pressed.		Number of bales pressed.		District included in the block.
	During the week.	During the corresponding week last year.	Since 1st September 1925 (the date prescribed by the Local Government as the commencement of the season).	During the corresponding period last year.	
The Bengal Presidency ...	2,211	No information.	28,970	No information.	All districts in the Presidency.

R. P. ADAMS,

Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.



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Form C.—BENGAL.

[Section 5 (2) of the Cotton Ginning and Pressing Factories Act, 1925.]

Statement of cotton pressed in the Bengal Presidency for the week ending 14th May 1926.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Name of Division or Block.	Number of bales pressed.		Number of bales pressed.		District included in the block.
	During the week.	During the corresponding week last year.	Since 1st September 1925 (the date prescribed by the Local Government as the commencement of the season).	During the corresponding period last year.	
The Bengal Presidency ...	1,804	No information.	30,744	No information.	All districts in the Presidency.

R. P. ADAMS,
Chief Inspector of Factories, Bengal.

DAILY RAINFALL RECORDED IN BENGAL

District.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
24-Parganas	Saugor Island	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.63	0.06	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Diamond Harbour	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.26	...	...	...	...	...	0.58	...	...
	Budge-Budge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.26	...	...	0.35	...	...	1.49	...	...	...
	Canning Town	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.66	...	...	0.31	...	...	...
	Alipore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.31	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.46	...	...	...
	Barackpore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.31	...	...	0.12	...	...	0.04	...	...	...
	Dum-Dum	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.02	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Barasat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.06	...	...	...	0.03	0.04	...	...	0.06	...	...	...
	Basirhat	...	...	...	...	0.43	...	...	...	1.03	...	...	0.13	0.31	...	...	0.39	...	...	...
	Gosaba	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nadia	Hanaghat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.12	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.46	...	...	...
	Krishnasar	...	...	...	0.13	...	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.99	...	...	...
	Choudanga	...	...	...	0.40	0.02	...	...	...	0.32	...	...	0.03	0.36	1.19	...	0.10	1.32	...	...
	Meherpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.62	...	...	...	1.30	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kushtia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.00	...	...	0.30	2.09	...	...	...	...	...	...
Murshidabad	Haringhata	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kandi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.24	...	...	...	0.57	...	...	0.17	...	...	...
	Berhampore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.48	...	...	...	1.63	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Lalbagh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.05	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ashuganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.16	...	0.11	...	0.68	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jangipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.09	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Lalgola	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.60	...	...	...	0.34	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Akrisauj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Patkabari	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.03	0.25	...	...	...	0.03	1.32	...	...	1.42	...	...	...
	Dumki	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.70	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jessore	Kalyanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.44	...	...	0.21	...	...	...
	(Jhangpur)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Khargram	...	...	...	...	0.16	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.16	0.16	0.25	...	0.70	0.60	...	...
	Kagram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.29	...	...	...	...	...	...

Khulna	Narail	...	...	...	1.40	...	...	...	...	0.45	...	...	...	1.66	0.09	...	1.00	...	...	...
	Jessore	...	...	...	0.40	...	...	...	...	1.15	0.26	...	...	0.04	0.67	...	0.96	...	...	...
	Jhenida	...	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...	0.41	...	...	...	0.15	2.35	0.30	0.90	...	...	...
	Magura	...	...	...	0.04	...	...	...	...	0.62	...	...	...	0.26	2.11	...	0.10	1.00	...	...
	Bongaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.75	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.34	...	...	...
	Batkhra	...	...	...	...	1.12	...	...	...	0.99	...	...	0.14	0.18	0.21	...	0.42	...	...	...
	Dagerhat	...	...	...	...	0.80	0.19	...	1.11	1.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Khulna	...	...	1.76	0.42	0.03	...	...	...	0.97	0.03	0.13	0.68	0.04	0.01	...	0.47	...	...	...
	Kaliganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nakipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.10	0.49	...	...
Bardwan	Dumuria	...	...	...	0.08	...	...	...	...	1.00	...	...	1.21	...	...	...	0.13	0.92	...	0.41
	Kampal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Kalaroa	...	...	...	0.10	...	...	...	...	0.02	...	...	...	0.86	2.35	...	0.53	...	...	...
	Rarui (Pakagucha)	...	...	...	0.82	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.67	...	...	1.18	...	...	...
	Mollahat	...	...	...	1.99	...	...	...	...	0.49	0.39	0.10	0.19	0.80	...	...	1.20	...	...	...
	Moreganj	...	...	...	0.28	1.30	1.25	...	...	...	...	...	0.85	0.65	0.70	0.45	1.45	...	...	2.39
	Tala (Magura)	...	...	...	...	0.80	...	...	0.50	...	...	...	1.10	...	...	...	1.50	...	...	...

Bardwan	Kalua	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.08	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.20	...	...	...
	Bardwan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.04	...	...	...	0.03	...	...	...
	Katwa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.25	0.85	...	1.20	...	0.12	...
	Amba	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.14	...	...	0.03	...	...	...
	Mauker	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Birbaun	Mangalkot	...	...	...	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hoyua	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Montowar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.60	...	...	1.40

Bankura	Suri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.34	0.18	...	0.20	...	...	...
	Hatampur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.65	0.05	...	...
	Hampurhat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.16	0.25	...	...
	Bolpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.39	...	...	0.27	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Mugra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.55	...	...	...
Bankura	Lebpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.29	0.09	...	0.60	...	...	...

	Bankura	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.08	...	...	0.04	...	...	...
	Vishnupur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.02	0.02	...	...	0.06	0.20	0.10	...	...	...	...
	Malaria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Khatra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Indra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bankura	Kotampur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Onda	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.01	0.10	...	...	...	...	...	0.45	...	...	...
	Gangajalghat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Rajpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Sonmukhi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Taladagra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Buanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Indpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Artira	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Barjona	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bankura	Simlapal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Mejla	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Sironmipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hauadanga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chatus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hauabandh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Baltora	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Joypur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ambikanagar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jairampur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

• Returns not received.

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1926.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Number of rainy days.	Average number of rainy days.	Total rainfall for the month.	Normal rainfall for the month.	Heaviest rainfall during the month.	Total rainfall from 1st March to 30th April 1926.	Normal rainfall from 1st March to 30th April 1926.	Station.	District.	Division.
		0.11	0.08							1	2.1	0.71	1.14	0.83	0.06	2.57	Sangor Island	34-Pargunnas	
										2	2.7	1.89	1.70	1.35	7.03	2.36	Diamond Harbour.		
										3	2.7	2.20	2.32	4.49	7.34	4.17	Budge-Budge.		
										4	2.9	0.87	1.95	0.56	0.17	3.68	Canning Town.		
										5	2.7	1.56	1.89	0.46	0.06	3.33	Allpore.		
										6	2.3	0.39	2.09	0.31	4.08	3.74	Barackpore.		
										7	2.4	0.17	2.30	0.06	4.37	3.78	Dum-Dum.		
										8	2.5	2.18	2.71	1.09	5.28	4.37	Baruait.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Basirhat.		
										4	4.0	2.28	2.98	1.32	6.48	6.69	Ranaghat.	Nadia	
										5	4.1	1.16	2.35	0.99	2.98	4.37	Krishnagar.		
		0.03								6	4.5	2.91	2.96	1.32	8.29	4.70	Choudanga.		
										7	4.1	2.89	2.06	1.75	9.06	4.13	Mohorpur.		
										8	4.6	2.36	2.96	2.09	6.34	4.46	Kushia.		
										9	3.2		2.00			2.27	Haringhata.		
										2	2.5	1.01	1.80	0.57	4.06	2.97	Kandi	Merchidabad	
										3	2.7	2.11	1.40	1.43	5.32	2.47	Borhampore.		
										4	2.6	1.05	1.50	1.04	4.21	2.52	Lalbagh.		
										5	2.7	0.29	1.84	0.68	3.34	2.04	Asimganj.		
										6	2.8	0.37	1.33	0.28	3.11	2.14	Jaugipur.		
										7	2.4	1.62	1.37	0.36	3.46	2.28	Lalgola.		
										8	2.7		1.50			2.52	Akriganj.		
										9	2.8	2.95	1.91	1.42	7.46	2.75	Patkabari.		
										10	2.2	0.70	1.79	0.70	3.03	3.11	Dumkal.		
										11	2.1	1.65	1.41	1.44	4.62	2.52	Kallyanganj.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(Jhanpur).		
										4		0.71		0.83	2.46	(n)	Khargram.		
										5		1.49		0.70	2.72	(n)	Kargram.		
										6	5.8	5.08	3.86	1.68	10.62	8.94	Narail	Jessore	
										7	5.0	5.53	2.65	2.15	10.97	9.77	Jessore.		
										8	4.7	4.20	3.22	2.20	11.53	9.31	Jhanda.		
										9	5.1	5.48	3.98	2.11	8.60	6.02	Mugura.		
										10	4.0	2.19	2.96	0.78	8.04	4.77	Bongson.		
										7	4.4	3.46	3.27	1.12	4.79	5.38	Rishikha	Khulna	
										8	4.7	7.88	3.58	1.90	17.99	5.63	Bagerhat.		
										9	5.1	8.04	3.34	2.53	16.14	5.40	Khulna.		
										10	3.9	NH	2.77	NH	9.43	6.57	Kataganj.		
										11	3.1	0.49	2.84	0.20	3.61	4.17	Nakipur.		
										12	5.3	7.45	4.04	1.44	16.76	6.95	Dumuria.		
										13	4.4	6.52	2.91	3.35	12.45	4.73	Rampal.		
										14	4.5	3.94	3.57	2.01	12.46	6.02	Kalaroa.		
										15	4.7	5.27	3.72	1.89	13.93	5.70	Rasul (Dalkachha).		
										16	4.3	8.32	4.72	2.10	8.22	6.24	Molabhat.		
										17	5.2	2.53	4.67	2.23	20.78	6.83	Morliganj.		
										18	4.7	4.35	3.49	1.50	17.32	5.81	Tala (Mugura).		
										2	2.5	1.01	2.72	0.80	2.31	4.28	Kalua	Bardwan	
										3	2.5	0.09	2.11	0.05	2.09	3.78	Bardwan.		
										4	2.6	1.92	1.72	1.20	4.31	2.08	Katwa.		
										5	2.5	0.70	1.69	0.14	2.66	2.54	Asansol.		
										6	2.1	0.10	1.44	0.10	2.82	2.75	Manter.		
										7	2.2		1.61			3.36	Mangalhat.		
										8	2.4		1.56			3.64	Royna.		
										9	0.8	2.50	0.56	1.60	4.26	2.25	Monteswar.		
										3	2.1	0.72	1.02	0.38	3.17	2.04	Suri	Birbhum	
										4	1.9	0.70	1.06	0.65	3.26	1.99	Hetampur.		
										5	2.3	0.50	1.35	0.40	2.10	2.24	Rampurhat.		
										6	1.9	1.56	1.06	0.37	4.53	2.04	Boipur.		
										7	2.5	0.86	1.19	0.56	1.51	2.13	Murari.		
										8	2.4	0.96	1.41	0.90	3.59	2.43	Lalpur.		
										2	2.5	0.13	1.32	0.08	2.34	2.57	Bansura	Bansura	
										3	2.1	0.42	1.57	0.50	2.47	2.94	Vishnupur.		
										4	2.4	NH	1.06	NH	2.70	2.04	Mallara.		
										5	2.5		1.26			2.44	Khakra.		
										6	2.3	0.61	1.76	0.45	3.47	2.08	Indra.		
										7	2.8	0.10	2.00	0.10	4.21	3.66	Kotalpur.		
										8	2.5		1.12			2.11	Onda.		
										9	2.4	0.16	1.09	0.09	3.12	2.21	Gangajalghati.		
										10	2.9	NH	1.39			2.00	Raipur.		
										11	2.5	0.61	1.34	0.64	2.54	2.71	Bonsankhi.		
										12	2.5	0.61	0.96	NH	3.09	2.01	Taldangra.		
										13	2.0	NH	1.60	NH		2.62	Sarenga.		
										14			0.74			1.78	Indipur.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Arora.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Barjora.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Simpal.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Hefia.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Siromanipur.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Pandanga.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Chakra.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Hanibadh.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Baitora.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Joypur.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Ambikamagar.		
										(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	(n)	Jairampur.		

(n) Not ascertained.

DAILY RAINFALL RECORDED IN BENGAL

Division.	District.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Burdwan- on- ad.	Midnapore	Contal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.41	...	0.18	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tamluk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Midnapore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...
		Chatal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kukrahati	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Amalgura	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Panskura	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.08	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dantan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...
		Chandrakona	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Paobet	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bhagwanpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kutikri (Kashary)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nayabasan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Slida (Belpahari)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kharagpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Goaltore	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.09	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Saiboni	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Narayanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Ramnagar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.44	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mohannpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.02	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jenka (Kharai)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nandigram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan- on- ad.	Hooghly	Moyna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Pingla	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Narajole	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kolaghat (Dainan)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jharkram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Balichak	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Howrah	Howrah	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Moharola	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Boalis	Boalis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nator	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dinajpur	Naugon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Lalpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Jalpaiguri	Manda	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mahadebpar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Darjeeling	Tanor	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Chaugram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Joari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Badalgachi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Pabna	Nitpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nawalganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Dangarapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Chauramon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Raiganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dinajpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Balukhat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Thakurgaon	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Netajganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Raiganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Atwari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Birganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Farhatpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Patnitala	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan- on- ad.	Bogra	Jalpaiguri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Alipur Duara	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Palakota	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Debaganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Buxa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kaichol	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Kumargram	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Darjeeling	Shiliguri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Darjeeling	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Kalimpong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mongoo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Kurseong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Pedong	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Bhawaniganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		(Orbandha)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Banspur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Pirganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Kuriganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Gobindganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Bagdogra (Nilphamari)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Tilghur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Sundarganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Saidpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Sherpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nowabilla	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Bogra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Panchbibi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bogra	Khetlal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Adamdighi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Burdwan- on- ad.	Bogra	Shubhadpur
		Pabna
		Shraiganj
		Lewardi

* Returns not received.

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(m) Not ascertained.

DAILY RAINFALL RECORDED IN BENGAL

Division.	District.	Station.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Rajshahi—contd.	Malda	Malda	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.28	...	0.28	...	...	0.57	0.08	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Obanohal	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.06	...	0.11	...	...	0.08	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Garol	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.21	...	0.04	...	...	0.15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Gomastapur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.24	0.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca.	Dacca	Nawabganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.24	0.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dacca	...	...	1.63	0.03	...	...	...	...	0.05	0.65	0.03	2.25	2.10	0.45	1.95	...	...	...	...	...
		Nawabganj	...	...	0.70	0.28	...	...	...	...	0.21	0.23	0.31	0.23	0.54	...	0.54	0.09	...	...	...	...
		Narayanganj	...	...	...	0.18	...	...	...	...	0.25	0.65	0.23	1.81	0.55	0.16	0.49	0.25	...	...	...	...
		Narsingdi	...	...	1.22	0.07	...	...	...	...	0.45	0.07	0.33	0.99	0.57	...	0.74	0.42	...	...	...	...
		Manikganj	...	...	0.03	...	...	...	...	...	0.14	0.77	0.02	1.75	0.59	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Joydebpur	...	...	0.04	0.14	...	...	...	...	0.40	0.23	...	0.80	0.65	...	0.04	0.99	...	...	...	...
		Kapasia	...	...	0.47	...	...	...	...	...	0.28	...	0.11	0.45	1.17	0.83	0.03	0.11	...	...	...	0.70
	Mymensingh	Kishorganj	...	...	...	0.03	0.75	...	...	...	...	...	0.40	...	3.32	0.12	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Atia (Fangal)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.15	0.19	...	...	0.27	0.45	...	0.09	...	...	...	...
		Srimadbari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.04	0.36	...	...	1.57	0.15	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Mymensingh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.43	...	0.01	...	1.79	0.04	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Jamulpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.53	0.04	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Netrokona	...	...	1.38	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	...	1.45	0.03	0.71	...	...	...	...	...
		Finaga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.08	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dacca.	Faridpur	Dargapur	...	...	0.50	...	...	...	...	...	1.00	0.35	...	1.00	1.35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Sherpur (Town)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dewanganj	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.23	...	1.40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Nalitabari	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Madaripur	...	...	...	0.47	0.51	...	...	...	0.47	...	...	0.14	1.87	...	...	1.02	...	...	...	...
		Faridpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.81	0.48	...	0.35	1.26	0.06	...	0.10	0.83	...	...	...
		Rajbari (Gauland)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.21	0.05	...	0.09	0.90	0.70	...	0.04	1.63	...	...	...
	Bakerganj	Haridaspur	...	...	...	1.30	0.01	...	...	...	0.02	0.03	0.07	0.09	1.29	...	...	0.35	...	...	...	...
		Takerhat	...	...	1.39	0.09	...	...	...	...	0.40	0.02	0.40	2.50	...	0.01	1.32	...	...	...	...	...
		Bhanga	...	...	0.08	...	0.04	...	...	...	0.15	0.35	...	...	...	0.25	...	1.08	...	0.13	...	...
		Panga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.32	1.00	...	1.34	0.57	...	0.20	0.35	...	...	...
		Balukandi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.25	...	...	...	0.83	...	0.35	...	...	...	...
		Bhusa	...	...	...	0.40	0.60	...	...	...	...	0.02	0.05	...	0.49	0.43	0.01	...	0.35	...	...	...
		Palong	...	...	...	0.40	0.20	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.45	0.41	2.25	...	...	1.18	...	...	...
Chittagong.	Chittagong	Patuakhali	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6.01	2.11	1.5	0.11	0.21	1.68	...	...	...
		Barguna	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Pirojpur	...	...	...	1.01	1.09	...	...	...	...	...	0.19	...	2.01	1.19	...	1.44	...	...	...	...
		Barisal	...	...	...	0.23	0.23	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.04	0.03	2.91	...	1.21	...	...	...	...
		Gaurusdi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bhola	...	...	0.10	0.31	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.86	...	3.50	...	1.30	...	...	...	...
		Daulatkhali	...	...	...	0.12	0.07	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.79	...	1.04	...	0.75	...	...	...	...
	Tippera	Bauphal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	...	2.40	1.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Cox's Bazar	...	...	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	0.25	1.26	3.33	1.71	...	2.00	0.04	...	...
		Chittagong	...	...	0.65	0.01	...	...	...	...	...	0.05	...	0.25	1.05	7.10	0.33	...	0.70	0.30	...	...
		Kutubdia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.69	1.18	3.24	1.07	...	2.77	2.03	...	...
		Satkalia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.03	0.04	...	0.46	0.50	1.00	1.75	1.30	1.25	0.65	...	...
		Kodala	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.14	...	...	0.06	3.55	0.15	...	0.50	0.35	...	...	...
		Mirsarai	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.50	3.00	2.25	1.50	...	...	...	...
Chittagong.	Noakhali	Oomila	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.25	3.22	2.55	...	...	2.37	...	...	...
		Chandpur	...	...	...	1.64	0.22	0.13	...	...	...	...	0.10	1.57	0.18	0.73	...	0.73	...	...	...	...
		Brachmanbaria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.29	...	...	...	3.05	1.50	...	0.28	0.10	...	...	...
		Bandarban	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.15	...	...	0.25	1.60	0.20	...	0.64	...	...	...	...
		Nandragar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.50	1.54	0.80	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Daudkandi	...	...	0.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.07	...	1.15	...	1.37	...	...	...	...
		Kasba	...	...	0.54	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chittagong Hill Tracts.	Laksmi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Noakhali	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.15	...	...	1.08	0.04	3.25	...	...	1.28	0.72	...	...
		Peri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.35	0.10	1.10	1.15	0.80	...	1.68	1.07	...	...	...	...
		Harishpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.27	4.05	0.47	...	0.43	0.47	...	...
		Ranganj	...	...	...	0.55	0.10	0.05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.80	...	...	...
		Obhagaluya	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.20	0.15	1.40	0.57	0.84	...	1.43	...	...	...	...	...
		Hatiya	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chittagong.	Hill Tippera	Lakshmipur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1.25	4.05	1.32	...	0.30	...	...	...	...
		Rangamati	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Bandarban	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.09	...	...	0.18	0.02	0.11	1.23	...	0.63	0.09	2.50	1.77
		Barkal	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.60	0.13	0.57	...	3.12	0.30	...	1.26	1.31	...	...	...
		Mahabharati	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.33	0.55	0.23	1.00	1.20	0.20	0.78	1.30	1.07	...	...	...
		Lama	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Rangamati	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Osooh Behar	Manikheri	...	...	0.51	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		Dighinala	...	...	0.72	...	...	...	...	...	0.10	...	...	0.11	2.33	0.84	...	0.11	3.06	...	...	...
		Agartala	...	...	1.31	0.22	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.20	0.10	0.99	1.49	0.31	...	...	...	...
		Dinhat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0.26	0.15	...	...	0.20	...	...	0.15	...	...	...	...
		Osooh Behar	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Returns not received.

Dacca, the 12th May 1926.

Vital statistics of Towns with a population of 50,000 and over of the Bengal Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 31st May 1926.

District.	No.	Towns.	Population under registration according to census of 1921.			Births registered.		Deaths registered.																	Total of correct preceding week of the previous year.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																				
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Number registered (excluding still-borns).	Still-borns registered.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Plague.	Malaria.	Enteric fever.	Measles.	Relapsing fever.	Kala-azar.	Other fevers.	Dysentery.	Diarrhoea.	Typhus.	Pneumonia.	Phthisis.	Other respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicide.	Deaths from child-birth.	Other causes.	Total of all causes.		Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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CALCUTTA, the 18th May 1926.

DISTRICT REPORTS ON WEATHER AND CROPS.

For the week ending on the 19th May 1925.

Summary.—Light to moderate rain fell throughout the Presidency. Sowings of jute and other autumn crops are progressing in West Bengal; elsewhere weeding on mid and high lands is going on freely. Harvesting of summer paddy has commenced. Weather conditions are favourable and jute and paddy are making satisfactory progress. The average price of common rice for the Presidency has risen by about 1·07 per cent. as compared with that of the previous week.

Serial No.	District and subdivision.	Rainfall.	Price of common rice, in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, condition of crops, etc.
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
		Inches.			
1	24-PARGANAS...	1·73	5½	5½	Effects of weather on crops are seasonable. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Diamond Harbour.	0·12	5½	5½	
	Barrackpore ...	3·44	5	5	
	Barasat ...	3·13	5½	5½	
	Basirhat ...	2·43	5½	5½	
2	NADIA ...	1·00	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute and autumn paddy continue. More rain is wanted for field operations. Prospects of standing crops are fair. Cattle-disease is reported from Tehatta thana.
	Kushtia ...	2·08	5½	5½	
	Meherpur ...	1·13	5	5	
	Chuadanga ...	1·29	5½	5½	
	Ranaghat ...	3·36	5	5	
3	MURSHIDABAD	2·11	5½	6	Prospects of standing crops are favourable. Export of rice continues in Jangipur. Cattle-disease is reported from thana Nawada in Sadar and thana Mirzapur in Jangipur. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Lalbagh ...	1·61	5½	5½	
	Jangipur ...	0·53	5½	6	
	Kandi ...	1·09	6½	6½	
4	JESSORE ...	1·08	5½	5½	Weather seasonable. Sowings of jute and paddy are still going on. Cattle-disease is reported from Magura. Fodder and water are sufficient.
	Jhenidah ...	1·96	5½	5½	
	Magura ...	1·35	5	5	
	Narail ...	2·57	5	5½	
	Bongaon ...	3·13	5½	5½	
5	KHULNA ...	3·92	5½	5½	Weather seasonable.
	Satkhira ...	5·64	5½	5½	
	Bagerhat ...	3·05	5½	5½	